

William C. Johannes, age 72, born May 28 1945 passed away February 7, 2018. Born in Cincinnati, Bill Johannes is a life-long resident of Ohio and has lived in the Columbus area most of his life. Bill is a graduate of Columbus West High School and a proud Ohio State Buckeye, earning a B.S. in Business Administration ('67) and MBA ('69). Bill was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity and ROTC. Upon graduating, Bill joined the U.S. [Army](#) until 1973, when he was honorably discharged as a 1st Lieutenant. In 1968, Bill married his college sweetheart Gail and eventually settled in the Village of Marble Cliff. Bill worked as a branch manager at City National Bank through its transition to Bank One and retired in 2000 as a Vice President for Chase Bank. After retirement Bill began a second career as administrative assistant and Clerk of the Village of Marble Cliff until he retired in December 2017. Bill was an avid traveler, he visited six/seven continents and 78 countries. Bill enjoyed photography, taking thousands of pictures of his travels, gardens, and families. Bill was especially proud of his daylily gardens and was an active member of the Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society and the American Hemerocallis Society. Bill also served on boards of the Inniswood Garden Society and the Kelton House Museum & Garden. Bill was especially proud of giving back to his community and sponsored a veteran's award for deserving students at Columbus State University and a Columbus Foundation award for an annual outstanding teacher award at Grandview Heights High School. Bill has also been active at First Congregational Church of Columbus where he sings in the choir and serves as the treasurer of the trustees. Bill is survived by his wife of 49 years, Gail Johannes (nee Tyler); daughter Emily Johannes (Paul Easterling), sister Barbara Clapham (nee Johannes), brother-in-law Scott Tyler, cousin Gary [Smith](#), and many other family and friends. A memorial service will be held to celebrate Bill on Sunday, February 18, 2018 at 2:00 pm at First Congregational Church, 444 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the awards established by Bill. For more information about making donations and the memorial service, go to <http://memorialwebsites.legacy.com/billjohannes>