



John E. Cowen, Ed.D.

August 23, 2012

COWEN, John E., Ed.D., age 71 of Teaneck, NJ died on Thursday, August 23, 2012. Beloved husband of Jay Totten (nee Miesegeaes). Devoted father of Jill Totten Wolfe and Juliet Totten Cowen. John was the Parnasus Literary Journal's first-prize winner in international competition. He published poems widely in major literary magazines and was a co-publisher of Bravo: The Poet's Magazine founded in 1980 by the late poet, Jose Garcia Villa. He was the editor of the Penguin Classics centennial volume: Doveglion: The Collected Poems of Jose Garcia Villa published in 2008. Mathematics of Love: Poems by John Edwin Cowen was his first published collection of poems. John was employed by the Teaneck Board of Education from 1963-1996, beginning his career as an English Teacher in Benjamin Franklin Middle School and then Teaneck High School. He eventually became the Assistant Superintendent of the Teaneck Public Schools. After his retirement, he continued as Professor of Literacy and Education in the Graduate Division of the Peter Sammartino School of Education, Fairleigh Dickinson University, NJ; he earned his Doctorate at Teacher's College, Columbia University, NY. Friends and family are invited for visitation on Wednesday from 3-6 PM at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 789 Teaneck Road, Teaneck, NJ. A Funeral Service will begin at 5 PM. NO FLOWERS, PLEASE! Instead, kindly make a donation in his name to Tomorrows Children's Fund, 30 Prospect Avenue, Hackensack, NJ 07601 or www.atcfkid.com.

Tribute Wall



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“ *We are grateful we were able to get together for dinner at the Sand Peal before John began his new journey. He will be missed. Love, Brenda & Chuck##imported-begin##Brenda & Chuck George##imported-end##*

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“ *So,so sorry for your loss. John led quite a fascinating life and was lucky enough to enjoy a beautiful family and work at the things he loved best. He was authentic and unique. May you find the strenth to carry on with your supportive family and friends. Fondly, Barbara and Nicky##imported-begin##barbara and Nick##imported-end##*

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“ Jay, Jill and Juliet... We will remember your husband and dad as a caring, intelligent, sensitive and talented friend. We offer you our heartfelt sympathy and condolences. May John rest in peace. Sincerely, Paul, Ricki, Michael, Lauren & Matt##imported-begin##Ricki and Paul Ostrow##imported-end##

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