



## Arie van Everdingen

September 5, 1933 - June 3, 2020

Arie van Everdingen, 86, formerly of West Allenhurst, Associate Professor Emeritus of Art at Monmouth University, died June 3, 2020. Born in the Netherlands, Mr. van Everdingen came to the United States in 1950 and served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict. Upon separation from the military he earned both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Fine Arts at the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University, Alfred, NY. He taught in the public school system of Waldwick, NJ and was a faculty member and Studio Manager at Greenwich House Pottery in New York City before accepting a faculty position at Monmouth College in 1966, teaching ceramics, printmaking, and photography. He served as chair of the Department of Art from 1973 to 1981 and received Monmouth's prestigious Distinguished Teaching Award in 1993. Upon his retirement from Monmouth University in 1995 he was awarded emeritus status by the Board of Trustees.

His death was preceded by his parents, Francina and Dirk van Everdingen; his brother, John van Everdingen; and Mr. van Everdingen's partner of 56 years, Dr. Donald B. McKenzie. He is survived by his brothers and their wives, Fred and Becky, FL; Dirk and Agnes, NJ; and sister-in-law Judith, NY; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Cremation was private; there will be no visitation or service. A tribute to Mr. van Everdingen's dedication to the higher education of students may be made through a donation to The McKenzie/van Everdingen Endowed Scholarship Fund at Monmouth University ( 400 Cedar Ave., West Long Branch, NJ

07764-1898. Phone: 732-923-4695 Email: [scholarships@monmouth.edu](mailto:scholarships@monmouth.edu) ) or to the Alzheimer's Association – Greater NJ Chapter ( [www.alz.org/donate](http://www.alz.org/donate) Phone: 1-800-272-3900 ).

For information and online condolences please visit Mr. van Everdingen's memorial website at [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ When I signed up for Ceramics with Van, little did I know I was beginning a life-long involvement with clay. Van opened a world for me. Although he had very definite ideas of what made a good pot, Van’s relaxed, friendly manner put me at ease to learn and experiment without judgement. What an honor it was to finally be included on Van’s wall of pots in his office! I remember him with great fondness.

Jane Alpern - November 04, 2020 at 12:20 PM

JR

“ Van and Donald became summer neighbors of the Rogers family when they purchased adjoining property on Deer Isle in 1971. Four generations of Rogers shared their friendship over the decades. After our retirement, we were fortunate to have more time to enjoy their company, knowledge, and wit—and we often shared a glass of wine or a meal, while listening to fascinating stories. Van was an accomplished sailor and reveled in being on the water in their L24. Later, he was happy to advise us on the purchase of our Luders sailboat. Van and Donald were such dear friends; both are sorely missed and lovingly remembered on Buckminster Point! Our heartfelt sympathy to Van’s family and to David.  
With love,  
Mark & Janette (on behalf of the extended Rogers family)



Janette Tubb & Mark Rogers - August 01, 2020 at 05:12 PM

DF

“ I met Arie/Van in the fall of 1978 when I was attending Monmouth College, (now University). He was our Art Department Chairperson. Before we were introduced, we would greet one another weekly as I entered the Art building on my way to a class. He would be seated at his office desk. After several weeks he invited me to sit down and visit, which became a weekly event before my class. From that point on we became friends and soon after I met Donald and shared his friendship until his passing in 2015.



Van was certainly one of the kindest and most gentle people I have ever known. I cherish the many times together over the years, including our dinners (I always felt nervous preparing for an acclaimed chef!). Both he and Donald were also generous with their time and gifts. Of course, my favorite pieces are the ceramics made by Van.

One of the greatest gifts I have received during these past few years are the friendships I have made with brothers Fred and Dirk and their wives. Through Van I have also been able to communicate with friends and family in Holland and Germany as well as others here in the US. Friends, Georgina and Pat joined Dirk and Agnes at my home this week for a celebration of Aat's life. It was truly an uplifting and healing time together to honor such a truly good man and friend.

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David Fitzmaurice - June 19, 2020 at 02:42 PM

GL

“ *This was our ceramics lab at Monmouth in 1974. Van...( as we called him) can be seen in the back row. He was 42 at the time. He was a great teacher and an a dear friend.*  
*Glenn LeBoeuf 76'*



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**Glenn LeBoeuf** - June 08, 2020 at 04:41 PM

DF

*Great picture, Glenn! That studio was always busy, even late at night. Where are you in the photo?*

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**David Fitzmaurice** - June 19, 2020 at 02:44 PM

JA

*What a treasure this photo is, Glenn! Thank you so much for sharing it.*

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**Jane Alpern** - November 04, 2020 at 12:18 PM

AE

“ *My family (the Schaaps) and the van Everdingens shared many happy times in Hoboken. They lived on the first floor and we on the third. I met Arie several times, although we were younger and he was serving in the Air Force as best as I can recall. I lived in the shore area after I married and would from time-to-time see Arie's name in the paper because of his contribution to Monmouth University and his dedication to the art world. My condolences to the Van Evedingen family for their loss.*

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**Adriann (Schaap) Errickson** - June 07, 2020 at 06:45 PM

FR

“ Arie was my professor at Monmouth in 1974-75. I had also attended Alfred University and he was instrumental in encouraging my endeavors in ceramics. My deepest sympathies and condolences.

Frank Ravaschiere - June 05, 2020 at 09:25 AM

WG

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Wim Groenenboom - June 05, 2020 at 05:10 AM

WG

Arie with Riek ( my wife) in Maine. 1995.

Wim Groenenboom - June 05, 2020 at 05:14 AM

DF

What wonderful memories of your visits to ME!

David Fitzmaurice - June 19, 2020 at 03:01 PM

RH

“ In 1954 my aunt, Tante Zus and uncle, Oom Dick, welcomed our Hofman family to the U. S. In Hoboken. Sadly, I never met Arie although I know my brother René was in touch with him a number of years ago. I hope someone from the family will now reconnect with me. A private post on Messenger to Rosemary Horn would work. I live in SW Florida and have a number of old Fortuna/family photos to share. Sincere condolences on your brother's passing.

Rosemary Hofman Horn - June 04, 2020 at 10:50 PM

AK

“ Dear family,

*Through my brother Wim we heard that Arie died. We had little contact. Unfortunately that sometimes happens when you are far away from each other.*

*Our condolences with this loss and we wish you a lot of strength in the time to come.*

*Warm greetings*

*Cora and Arjo de Koning, Schiedam, Netherlands.*

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**Arjo de Koning** - June 04, 2020 at 02:02 PM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Arie van Everdingen*



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - June 03, 2020 at 10:09 PM

DF

*Thank you for the excellent care you gave with all the arrangements and for going above and beyond to accommodate the various special requests. It has all been greatly appreciated.*

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**David Fitzmaurice** - June 19, 2020 at 03:04 PM

TH

*We met Arie, with Donald, once in New York in 2008. In the past I wrote letters to his father, Dirk van Everdingen about the familytree, and after Dirk died I had contact with Arie. We lunched together, walked around in NY and had a wonderful day with them. We have a very nice memory about him!!*

*Our condolences to family and friends.*

*Erzsebet, Janka and Theo van Everdingen  
Vlaardingen*

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**Theo** - June 22, 2020 at 04:18 AM

HT

*Arie and I 'met' around 1996 through letters after having discovered each other's existence on one of my travels through the endless ancestry searches. He very generously sent me countless writings and copies of documents where we discovered our common ancestor of 1784 from which our branches parted ways. I can only guess at the title of our connection, being somewhere around 4th cousin once removed. Countless photos and letters followed back and forth until about three years ago, when a caregiver/friend sent a Christmas greeting on Arie's behalf, which card and address I sadly misplaced. It was only today through another ancestry search I came across this obituary and it again makes me very sad that we never met in person. Arie van Everdingen, you will never be forgotten. My heartfelt condolences to the family and friends, from your 'cousin' in BC Canada, Harmiena Nora Torenbeek*

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**Harmiena Torenbeek** - July 08, 2020 at 11:24 PM