



## Jack Millward

September 8, 1927 - July 30, 2019

Jack Millward, age 91, of Melrose, Florida, passed away at Haven E.T. York Hospice Care Center in Gainesville, Florida on July 30, 2019. Born in Birmingham, England on September 8, 1927, he served in the British Royal Navy, storming Sword Beach on D-Day. After the war, he lived a colorful and interesting life traveling the globe. Among his many pursuits were crocodile hunting in Australia; diamond drilling in Africa; working on the Alaskan Pipeline; oyster, crab, and shrimp fishing in Florida; and managing a bed and breakfast in North Carolina. For the past 25 years, he lived in Melrose where he had family and lots of friends. He loved dogs, classical music, a “good cuppa” of tea or coffee, and sitting on a dock at sunset.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beryl Collingwood Millward. He was also preceded in death by his father, Thomas Boraston Millward; his mother, Lily Gunstan Millward; his brother Ralph Millward; and his sister, Edna Millward Ridgeway Evans.

He is survived by his daughter, Sue Tillery and her husband, Reid Tillery of Melrose; grandson, Warren Tillery and his wife Leslie Tillery, of McDonough, Georgia; and sister Betty Millward Miller of Canterbury, England. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews, one of which made a grand and healthy entrance into the world on the same day Jack passed away.

On Saturday, August 10, at 11:30 A.M., a Palatka Live Oak will be planted in his memory on the grounds of the apartment complex where he lived so happily for his last five and a half years. Following the tree planting, from noon to 2:30 P.M, there will be a pot-luck celebration of his life at the Melrose Community Center. All friends are invited.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Haven Hospice in Gainesville or Puppy Hill Farm in Melrose.

# Events

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**AUG 10** **Tree Planting** 11:30AM  
Apartment Complex He Lived So Happily  
FL, US

**AUG 10** **Pot Luck Celebration of His Life** 12:00PM - 02:30PM  
Melrose Community Center  
307 SR 26, Melrose, FL, US

# Comments

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“ I live in Austin but have deep Melrose roots and often visit family there. I have many fond memories of Jack, but one of my favorites was when I was sitting on the dock at sunset, and he pulled up in his little boat to offer something to drink and a few cheerful words. Jack was a lovely man, and he will be missed.

**Phyllis Berkelman Schunck** - August 10, 2019 at 10:49 AM

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“ Bettina Moser sent a virtual gift in memory of Jack Millward



**Bettina Moser** - August 09, 2019 at 10:03 PM



“ See you tomorrow at the Tree Planting Ceremony, Jack!

**Bettina** - August 09, 2019 at 10:02 PM

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“ Bettina Moser lit a candle in memory of Jack Millward



**Bettina Moser** - August 08, 2019 at 09:27 PM

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“ MELROSE BAY

One late afternoon, it was sunny and hot,  
A kayak pulled quietly onto the beach of Melrose Bay.  
Amber, my dog, and I, had enjoyed the water a lot.  
We were basking in the sinking sun after happy play.

A gentle man with kayak in tow stepped onto the beach.  
His radiant smile and eyes made us feel welcomed and at ease.  
My pooch was resting on the sand but not within close reach.  
She approached the man with curiosity, and he said "Please",  
  
"May I pet your dog? She is beautiful and brings a smile to my face".  
This was the beginning of our friendship – loving, deep, and free.  
We ended up sharing a coffee and chat at his friend's place.  
I cherish memories of countless walks and talks followed by tea.

I cherish my friendship with Jack.

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Jack is my dearest friend and "adopted Dad",  
And I am forever grateful for that hot summer day on Melrose Bay.  
Thank you, Jack, for everything! Also for keeping my pillow!

HERE'S TAE US, THERE'S NONE LIKE US!!

Much love from Bettina

Thank you, Sue, for sharing your wonderful Dad with me!



**Bettina Moser** - August 07, 2019 at 10:27 PM

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“ Bettina Moser lit a candle in memory of Jack Millward



**Bettina Moser** - August 07, 2019 at 06:47 PM

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“ According to Jack's sister, Betty (who is 95 and lives in Canterbury, England), Jack was beloved by all who knew him ever since he since he was a little boy! He was independant, courageous, patient, kind, humourous and gentle. People will always remember his strength of character, genuine warmth, English accent, and gentlemanly manners. When asked how he was doing, his standard reply was: "Splendid, thanks! And you?"

Most of all, he will be remembered for his sincere love for his family, friends and neighbors, animals (especially dogs), reading, the ocean, science, science fiction, his garden, and life in general. It was an honor and privilege to be his daughter.

I will forever miss you, Dad!

Love, Sue



**Sue Millward Tillery** - August 07, 2019 at 02:18 PM