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## Smokejumper Obituary

### **Gowen, George W. (Missoula 1954)**

NSA Life Member George Gowen died March 14, 2021, at his home in New York City. He was born in Livorno, Italy, on September 14, 1929. George practiced law as a Partner at Dunnington, Bartholow & Miller, and for seven years at his firm Fryer, Ross & Gowen before returning to Dunnington in 1994.

He graduated from Princeton in 1952 and served in the Army before jumping at Missoula during the 1954 season. George graduated from the University of Virginia Law School in 1957 and married Marcia in 1959.

For decades he was counsel to leading sports organizations. He started his long relationship with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) in 1968 and over 40 years with the USTA, he advised and counseled 18 Presidents. George was inducted into the Eastern Tennis Hall of Fame in 2006. He served on numerous other boards during his career and was a major legal help in establishing the NSA.

When asked what he savored, he remarked, "What I do savor with pride and affection, my wife and home, our children, their husbands and the grandchildren. After these all else is footnotes."

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