

Dick Riley

Enjoying the Cruising Life

Marinalife Member Since: 2001

(Dick was one of the original Marinalife members)

Boat Type: Pilothouse Motoryacht

Boat Name: MY-CY

Boat Length: 65 feet

Cruising area: Chesapeake Bay to Florida Keys

How many years with this boat:

Two years with this boat and I had a 51' Ocean Alexander for 7 years prior



Dick and Anne Riley on their boat My-Cy while visiting Inner Harbor East Marina in Baltimore, MD.

What about boating keeps you coming back for more?

My best memories of boating are definitely on a boat as a kid with my father. He was a Chris Craft dealer in the late 1940's and 50's and he was involved during World War II with helping the Coast Guard use private yachts to patrol the shore.

Because of my Dad, I have been involved with boating most of my life and I bought my first boat in 1965. I feel that boating is truly a most relaxing way of life with different sights and adventures every day. If you find a place you enjoy you can stay for a while. We take our "cottage" with us so we have the same amenities wherever we go.

What has been your favorite cruise?

When we sold our company in 2001 my wife Anne and I took off for the entire summer and cruised everywhere in the Chesapeake Bay without a schedule. I am marina person (no anchoring for me) and a full summer of cruising allowed us time to visit so many of the marinas in the Bay. It was delightful.

What is your favorite marina/destination?

Our favorite marina is probably Tides Inn in Irvington, VA where we stay for the summer – the level of service and amenities are hard to beat. As for a transient marina, we still never miss St. Michaels Marina in Maryland. They are truly professionals in every way.

What is the craziest boating experience you have ever had?

Every boating experience is crazy to a landlubber, but for us they are experiences. Now the day I got into 12' seas in my 51' was crazy. But I live to tell the tale.

Do you have a favorite boat drink?

I am a simple man that drinks Crown Royal Cask 16 on the rocks. Never mess up good alcohol with water, juice or soda. [m/](#)