



G.T. Shelton Jr.

June 25, 1921 - March 16, 2014

Gallie Thomas (G.T.) Shelton, Jr. died peacefully on March 16, 2014 at his home in Danville, VA. Born on June 25, 1921, in Pittsylvania County, he was the son of the late Gallie Thomas and Ira Mae Shelton. He spent his entire life in south central Virginia except for the time that he served in the military. He was married to the former Cecile Mae Henderson for 68 years; she survives him.

A United States Army veteran, he served in World War II in the Pacific Theatre in India and Burma (now Myanmar). He was a farmer and rural United States Postal carrier in Halifax County and also worked as a tobacco grader for the United States Department of Agriculture. He was a charter member of the Oak Level Volunteer Fire Department and a member of American Legion Post # 325, and VFW Post # 647. After retirement, he and his wife relocated to Danville, VA where they have lived for 23 years. Mr. Shelton was a long-term member of Oak Level Presbyterian Church where he served as a Deacon.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughters Gloria Gibson (Charlotte, NC) and Linda Dunn (Danville). He was predeceased by his son Roy Thomas Shelton. He is also survived by his son-in-law William E. (Scooter) Dunn and his grandchildren, Brooke Harrelson (Charlotte) and Hunter Dunn (Danville). Additional survivors include his brothers Ira (wife Gloria) and Ryland Shelton (both of Chatham), his sister-in-law Clovis Shelton

(Danville), his brother-in-law Earl Morris (Danville) and many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Thelma Atkinson and his brothers Frank, Sidnor, Clifton and Harry Lee Shelton.

Special recognition and appreciation are given to the caregivers who have provided compassionate and loving care to Mr. and Mrs. Shelton for the past seven years. They are Shirley McCain, Chenise Blackwell, Rhonda Brown, Jessica Coleman, Stacy Davis, Cheryl Hunt, Gwen Lea, Sandra Thacker, Georgetta Walton, Schinita Warner and Suzanne Woicikowski. Appreciation is also given to Drs. Milam, Kotlaba, Miller and Lingell and to Legacy Hospice for the care they have provided.

A service to celebrate the life of Mr. Shelton will be held at Oak Level Presbyterian Church (1243 Oak Level Road, Halifax, VA 24558) at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19, with the Rev. Dr. Ed Melvin presiding. The family will greet visitors at 1:00 p.m. prior to the service. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Oak Level Presbyterian Church (1243 Oak Level Road, Halifax, VA 24558), the Mt. Hermon Fire and Rescue (4268 Franklin Tpke., Danville, VA 24540), RAIN (Regional AIDS Interfaith Network, 601, E. 5th Street, Suite 470, Charlotte, NC 28202) or a charity of your choice.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving Mr. Shelton's family

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Oak Level Presbyterian Church
1243 Oak Level Rd
Halifax, VA 24558

Funeral Service

MAR 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Oak Level Presbyterian Church
1243 Oak Level Rd
Halifax, VA 24558

Burial

MAR 19 (ET)

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1243 Oak Level Rd
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Tribute Wall

ND

“ Nancy & Curtis Doss lit a candle in memory of G.T. Shelton Jr.



Nancy & Curtis Doss - March 20, 2014 at 10:58 AM

CD

“ Chuck And LaVonne Digman lit a candle in memory of G.T. Shelton Jr.



Chuck and LaVonne Digman - March 19, 2014 at 03:06 PM

BC

“ Dear Gloria Jean and Linda Mae, I remember your Dad and all f you at Oak Level Church-what a delight he was and always had a smile on his face and a kind thing to say to me. I am so sorry for all of you. Please take care of mother and each other.
Love, Bonnie Pollard Chambers

BonnieP Chambers - March 19, 2014 at 02:32 PM

SD

“ I would like to express my heartfelt sympathies to the entire Shelton family. With much love Stacey Davis.

Stacey Davis - March 18, 2014 at 11:28 PM

PH

“ *What a sad day to learn of G.T.'s passing! I will always remember him as a cherished family friend who enjoyed times spent with Mother, Dewey and his friends at Oak Level. He had such a radiant, happy and kind demeanor, in spite of his declining health and suffering. I am praying for all of you, knowing how difficult losing him must be.*

Patti Rutherford Hellyer

Patricia Rutherford Hellyer - March 18, 2014 at 03:43 PM

HL

“ *Hunter Liles lit a candle in memory of G.T. Shelton Jr.*



hunter liles - March 17, 2014 at 08:23 PM

CL

“ *Cathy Liles lit a candle in memory of G.T. Shelton Jr.*



cathy liles - March 17, 2014 at 08:20 PM

ML

“ Matt, Cathy, hunter, Sydney Liles lit a candle in memory of G.T. Shelton Jr.



matt, cathy, hunter, sydney liles - March 17, 2014 at 08:18 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of G.T. Shelton Jr..



March 17, 2014 at 07:20 PM

PC

“ Mr. Shelton was a special person to our family and will truly be missed. Mrs. Shelton, know that you and Mr. Shelton hold very dear and special place in my heart and childhood memories.



Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Shelton and the Shelton family at this time of sorrow.

Boo, Sandra, and Pam Clark

(Oak Level neighbors)

Pam Clark - March 16, 2014 at 06:00 PM