



Harry Ward

August 5, 1926 - February 29, 2016

Harry Ward, 89, of 16 Lithia Springs Avenue, Danville, VA, died Monday, February 29, 2016 at his residence after a decline in his health for the past four weeks.

Mr. Ward was born in Springhead, Lancashire, England on August 5, 1926, a son of the late Gilbert Ward and Eva Hodkins Ward. He moved from England to Danville, VA in 1950 and had retired as a lifetime brick mason.

He was of the Christian faith and was an avid soccer fan. His favorite motto was "Press on regardless!"

On August 10, 1946 he married Lilian Hollingsworth Ward, who survives.

In addition to his wife, of the residence, he is survived by a daughter, Jackie Tompkins, and her husband Artie, Jr., of Danville, VA; and grandchildren, Toni Nuckols, Chris Tompkins, Dustin Rorer, Cody Rorer, and predeceased by April Tompkins; a daughter, Jennifer Irving, and her husband Eddy, of Ruffin, NC; and grandchildren, Wendy Pollok, Hank Irving, Daniel Irving and Lori Ring; a son, Anthony P. Ward, and his wife Karen, of Cascade, VA; and grandchildren, Tamara Ward Kotronis, and predeceased by Eben Phillip Ward; and a son, Thomas Gilbert Ward, of Cascade, VA; seventeen great grandchildren, and three great great grandchildren.

Mr. Ward was predeceased by three sisters, Ethel Carter, Dorothy Horsefield and Eva Bodkins.

A memorial service will be held at the residence for family and friends on Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. with his grandson, the Reverend Daniel Irving officiating.

The family will be at the residence at other times and they suggest that memorial donations may be made to the Danville Life Saving Crew, 202 Christopher Lane, Danville, VA, 24541.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Ward family. Online condolences may be made at www.wrenn-yeatts.com.

Tribute Wall

PB

“ I remember so well when the Ward family moved across the street from us when I was about 12....all of you were a source of great enjoyment to us....so full of life....I started trying to speak English like you did...dropping the H's" etc. and using little words like "cheeky". In later years when our paths crossed Harry and Lillian were always upbeat and happy, still such a pleasure. I am so very sorry for your family's loss of this sweet man.

Pat Burnette - March 06, 2016 at 11:04 AM

SC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you all as He welcomes Harry home.

Steve Chappell - March 04, 2016 at 05:50 AM

LB

“ Oh Mrs Ward I am so sorry. This is Lisa that took care of him twice in the ER and he just made my day both times. He kept me laughing at something the whole time. I knew he must be an awesome person because he was so funny even though he was sick. I'll be praying for you all and I will never forget him and that accent I loved. This is why I love nursing, patients make an impact on us and bring a smile when we need it most also.

Lisa Butts - March 03, 2016 at 01:10 PM

WG

Jackie, Artie, and Family, Gary and I are so sorry for your loss. We love you and your family and have you in our thoughts and prayers. Gary and Wanda Greene

Wanda Greene - March 04, 2016 at 12:35 PM

PH

Lilian, this is Patsy that used to wait on the both of you at American National Bank on West Main...I just want you to know how sorry that I am about Harry...I just found out. I want you to know that you and Harry were one of my favorite people that came into the bank...always smiling always cutting up...I am so sorry for your loss and I know that Harry is having a good time laughing with everyone around him there. May God be with you at this time and always...Patsy Hazelwood

Patsy Hazelwood - March 07, 2016 at 08:45 PM