



Henry Langston Dillard

July 14, 1927 - October 1, 2015

Henry Langston Dillard went to join his Heavenly Father on October 1, 2015. He was born in Schoolfield, VA on July 14, 1927 to Lena Dillard Foster and William Alexander Dillard, both of whom predeceased him. He was also predeceased by one brother, Robert C. Dixon.

He is survived by his wonderful wife of 66 years, Barbara, and two great children, Beverly Dillard, of Stuart, VA and Blain, and wife, Lori, of Cary, NC. He also leaves behind three wonderful grandchildren, Seth, Caleb and Luke. He also leaves one sister, Edith Yarbrough of Chesapeake, VA.

Henry was raised in the Schoolfield-Edgewood community and attended Schoolfield and George Washington High Schools.

After serving in the South Pacific with the U.S. Navy in WWII, he began his career with Danville Coca Cola Bottling Company, later transferring to their Vended Food Service. In 1972, he transferred to Greensboro, NC where he assumed the position of VP of Sales.

In 1973, he joined Servomation Corporation as District General Manager for their Fayetteville, NC operations. In 1976, he was promoted to the Charlotte, NC, District that serviced an area from Charlotte to Myrtle Beach, SC.

He was a past President of the North Carolina Vending Association and a

former Chairman of the Carolinas/Virginia Convention. In 1982, he was named “Vendor of the Year” and was honored with a “Lifetime Membership” in NCVA.

In 1987 he joined 4-Cs Food Service as Major Accounts and Governmental Affairs Executive.

Longing to return to his native Danville, in 1990, he accepted a position with Piedmont Vendors, Inc., as Major Accounts Executive.

In 1995, Henry retired to enjoy his main hobby of golf.

He was a lifetime member of the V.F.W. and a member of the American Legion Post 325 and Poquoson Tribe No. 124 Improved Order of the Red Men.

He was a past member of Tuscarora Country Club and Ringgold Golf Club.

He has been a member of North Main Baptist Church since returning to Danville where he served as Usher and on the Money Counting Committee. He loved deeply his Bible Study Class named after a deceased member J.W. Oakes.

Henry had a positive outlook on life and could always find a silver lining in the darkest of clouds. He will be remembered for enduring service, faithfulness, quiet strength and humorous storytelling, wisdom, and deep compassion. He dearly loved people, never met a stranger, and was well-liked by many.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 2:00 PM from North Main Baptist Church conducted by the Reverend Fred Unger. The family will receive friends from 1:00 - 2:00 PM on Monday at the church. Interment will follow at Highland Burial Park with Military Honors Conducted by the American Legion Dan River Post 1097 and the US Navy.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ringgold Volunteer Fire Department, the Danville Life Saving Crew, or charity of your choice.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Dillard family.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

North Main Baptist Church
2818 North Main St
Danville, VA 24540

Funeral Service

OCT 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

North Main Baptist Church
2818 North Main St
Danville, VA 24540

Burial

OCT 5 (ET)

Highland Burial Park
1658 Piney Forest Road
Danville, Va

Tribute Wall

SC

“ Sara Katherine Cumbo lit a candle in memory of Henry Langston Dillard



Sara Katherine Cumbo - October 27, 2015 at 09:20 PM

RP

“ Robert Hatcher PCHS lit a candle in memory of Henry Langston Dillard



Robert Hatcher PCHS - October 05, 2015 at 11:47 AM

LC

“ Love David and Joanna Clement purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Henry Langston Dillard.



Love David and Joanna Clement - October 05, 2015 at 09:52 AM

RL

“ I met Henry a few times and he always seemed cheerful, encouraging, and generous. My prayers go out to the family and friends who will miss him.

Ron Llewellyn - October 04, 2015 at 10:19 PM

RM

“ *Raquel and Martin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Henry Langston Dillard.*



Raquel and Martin - October 03, 2015 at 06:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Henry Langston Dillard.*



October 03, 2015 at 02:29 PM

GL

“ *My condolences to the family of Henry Dillard. I have known Henry since our teenage years. His Mother, Lena and my Mother, Margaret Phelps Pulliam worked in Dan River together and were friends for many years. Henry was a very nice person and always so friendly. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time of sorrow. May God Bless each one.*

*Love, Gladys Lance,
Danville, Va.*

Gladys Lance - October 03, 2015 at 01:18 PM