



## Lewis Harper Francis

February 12, 1925 - October 18, 2017

Lewis Harper Francis, 92, of Sutherlin, VA, died Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at SOVAH Health of Danville after being in declining health for the past six years.

Mr. Francis was born in Java, VA on February 12, 1925 a son of the late Daniel Francis and Lois Mae Dawson Francis. He lived most of his life in Sutherlin, VA and was retired as a Mariner with the United States Merchant Marines. He was a tobacco farmer and enjoyed raising cattle and pigs. He loved gardening and he was of the baptist faith.

He was married to the late Ruth Edmonds Francis, she died on February 5, 1996.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by five sisters and four brothers.

He is survived by three sons, Bruce Sterling Francis, Randy Lewis Francis, and his wife Vicki, and Allen Blake Francis, all of Sutherlin, VA; and four grandchildren, Neal Lewis Francis, of Christiansburg, VA, Brian Lee Francis, of Sutherlin, VA, Victoria Ann Francis, of Chatham, VA, and Daniel Charles Francis, of Blairs, VA.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, October 23, 2017 from the graveside

at 2:00 P.M. in Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel from 7:00 until 8:30 P.M.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Francis family.

# Previous Events

## Graveside

OCT **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Highland Burial Park  
3049 North Main Street  
Danville, VA

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was a neighbor on Rison Street next door to Mr and Mrs Francis in the fifties. He was always a good neighbor and a man of high integrity that my brother Jack and I looked up to. A very hard working man, dug a basement under the house all by himself. He was a source of advice for maintaining my car, a Crosley. I have never known a man of more even imperturbable temperment. He would have been interested to know that I too followed a career in the Merchant Marine and I had hoped to tell him that some day.

*Deepest sympathy and sincere condolences at his passing.*

*Steve Turner*

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**Steve Turner** - October 25, 2017 at 10:00 PM