



Ralph Carle

May 23, 1934 - September 1, 2010

Ralph William Carle, 76, of 850 Luna Lake Road, passed away Wednesday morning, September 1, 2010, after a long battle with COPD at Danville Regional Medical Center. Born May 23, 1934, in Hudson, N.Y., Bill was the son of Ralph A. Carle and Hildred D. Smith. After graduating from Utica College, he spent thirty years as a technical quality inspection Manager with Pratt Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford, Connecticut. He retired in 1989 and moved to Danville to spend time with his family. Bill was an avid reader and enjoyed the companionship of his grandsons and his good friend and neighbor Charlie McFalls. In his final days, he was grateful for the love and friendship given by Brunhilda Searce and Kelly "Wayne" Hutcherson. Bill is survived by his former wife, Marilyn B. Hardisty of Raleigh, NC, and three children; Amy E. Carle of Raleigh, NC, Lisa C. Shields of Danville, VA; his son, Colonel William S. Carle of Chambersburg, PA; and his three grandchildren, Ryan and Jonathan Shields of Danville, VA and Keely Carle of Raleigh, NC. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. from the Wrenn-Yeatts, Westover Chapel with the Rev. Father Charles Breindel officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday, at the funeral home from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. and at other times at the home of Lisa Shields, 433 Downing Drive. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Lung Association at www.lungusa.org. Wrenn-Yeatts, Westover Chapel is serving the Carle family. Online condolences may be made at www.wrenn-yeatts.com.