



Ralph Lewis Jessen

March 3, 1938 - November 22, 2024

Ralph Lewis Jessen, 86, of Danville, VA, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, November 22, 2024, while a patient at Roman Eagle Nursing Home. He had been in declining health for the past two years.

Ralph was born on March 3, 1938 in Oella, Maryland to the late Paul and Viola Jessen. He moved to Danville in the 1960's to work as an electrician at Corning Glass from which he retired. Ralph loved trains, electronics and tinkering around in his garage.

Ralph was a loving uncle to his nieces and nephews, spending much quality time with them every chance he got – from music and guitars to cars, whatever suited them that day. He was an active member of Brush Arbor Baptist Church until his health declined.

He was married to Virginia Kate Cox Jessen, who died on June 29, 2022.

Survivors include his sisters, Paula Neuman (James), of Eldersburg, MD, Peggy Algire (John), of Woodbine, MD and Joyce Alford (Benny), of Mullins, SC; a sister-in-law, Diane Jessen, of Westminster, MD; granddaughter, Jessica Cox (Nicholas), of Tampa, FL and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Jessen was predeceased by his

brother, Michael Jessen, of Westminster, MD.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at Danville Memorial Gardens with Reverend Jim Curran officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully asks that a donation be made in Ralph's honor to the Alzheimer's Association, Central and Western Virginia Chapter, 1010 Ednam Center, Suite #203, Charlottesville, VA 22903 or to the ALS Association, PO Box 37022, Boone, IA 50037-0022.

The family would like to thank the staff at Roman Eagle North Terrace for their excellent care, especially Ophelia and Kaye.

Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes, North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Jessen family.

Cemetery Details

Danville Memorial Gardens

510 Church Ave
Danville, VA 24541
(434) 822-1617

Previous Events

Graveside Service

NOV 26. 1:00 PM (ET)

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510 Church Avenue
Danville, VA