



Ralph Eugene Murphy

August 7, 1931 - July 22, 2014

Ralph Eugene Murphy, 82, of 668 F.C. Beverly Road, Dry Fork, VA, died Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at the Danville Regional Medical Center after a decline in his health for one month.

Mr. Murphy was born in Pittsylvania County, VA, on August 7, 1931, a son of the late Percy Hugh Murphy and the late Beulah Clair Crane Murphy.

He lived his entire life in Dry Fork, VA, and was a member of Whitmell United Methodist Church where he had served on the Board of Trustees and was a former Lay Leader. He was a member of the Boy Scouts of America as a Scout Master. He was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

He retired as Project Manager, after 14 years, from English Construction Company. Also, he had worked for the Virginia Department of Transportation for 36 years as a Project Manager.

He was married to Virginia Dallas Murphy, for 63 years, who survives.

In addition to his wife, of the residence, he is survived by three children, Stanley Murphy, and his wife Vickie, of Gretna, VA, Cheryl Donnison, and her husband Marc, of Shelby Township, Michigan, and Brian Murphy, and his wife Sandy, of Dry Fork, VA; four grandchildren, Jennifer, Sarah, Hunter, and Amber Murphy; a brother, Herman Murphy, of Danville, VA, and a sister, Judy Riggins, of Chatham, VA.

He was predeceased by a sister, Rachel Giles.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the

Whitmell United Methodist Church with the Reverend Susan Hannah, the Reverend Mike Hearp, and the Reverend Joe Beck officiating. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, July 23, 2014 at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. At other times they will be at the residence. Also, they suggest that memorials may be made to the Tunstall Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 575, Danville, VA 24543, the Whitmell UMC Building Fund, or to a charity of your choice.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Murphy family.

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Tribute Wall

PA

“ Dear Judy and family, I want to extend my heartfelt condolences for the loss of your loved one. This is a quote from a headstone in Ireland: "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal." May your memories of him be a comfort to you at this time. Deepest sympathy and much love, Patti

Patti - July 24, 2014 at 10:31 AM

PA

“ Patti lit a candle in memory of Ralph Eugene Murphy



Patti - July 24, 2014 at 10:06 AM

CA

“ Cheryl and Marc, you are both in our thoughts and prayers. Although I did not know your father, I always admired how you spoke of your family and how important they are to you. May God comfort your entire family through this time. Love Cat, Juliana and Valerie



cathleen arcori - July 23, 2014 at 10:26 PM

PC

“ *Paula Watlington Creed lit a candle in memory of Ralph Eugene Murphy*



Paula Watlington Creed - July 23, 2014 at 08:11 PM

NH

“ *Uncle Ralph was a very kind, generous, loving and big-hearted Southern gentleman. He cared and loved his family dearly. He was always thinking of others and helping them. When I was younger, I remember Uncle Ralph helping our Grandma Dallas by mowing her yard in the hot summer and running errands. He always respectfully called her, "Mrs. Dallas." Uncle Ralph had a grin from ear to ear that would light up a room and a big hearty laugh that made everyone smile. And when my father passed in September 2013, Uncle Ralph made it a point to be at his funeral to comfort my brother and I even though his own health was declining. I will really miss Uncle Ralph. My loving thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.*

Nita Robyn Hamill

Nita Robyn Hamill - July 23, 2014 at 04:59 PM

JR

“ *Jerrine Dallas Hamill, Johnny, and Nita Robyn purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Ralph Eugene Murphy.*



Jerrine Dallas Hamill, Johnny, and Nita Robyn - July 23, 2014 at 12:05 PM

JO

“ I always enjoyed seeing Ralph and Herman when they would visit Judy when she worked at Reston Hospital. They were always so friendly and nice and would tell me stories both funny and enlightening. Judy would smile ear to ear when she saw her brothers and it was fun to watch the three of them interact. The love they share is so obvious and will stay that way forever no matter what. It's hard to know what to say, except that I'm thinking of you in friendship and in sympathy. My sincere condolences at this sad time and your loss of a beloved one who is now resting in peace. Joveda

Joveda - July 23, 2014 at 11:24 AM

JO

“ Joveda lit a candle in memory of Ralph Eugene Murphy



Joveda - July 23, 2014 at 10:50 AM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Ralph Eugene Murphy.



July 23, 2014 at 10:44 AM