



Frank Ray Wood

April 30, 1930 - February 7, 2015

Frank Ray Wood, 84, of Long Island, VA has planted his last garden, cruised his last tract of timber and has heard his last train whistle from along the banks of the Staunton River. Ray left his earthly home and went to the arms of his Lord on Saturday, February 7, 2015. He was born April 30, 1930 in Stone Mountain area of Bedford County, VA.

He was the beloved husband of Elise Vassar Wood for nearly sixty-two years. Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin Early Wood and Lily Burroughs Wood; his brothers, William Milburn Wood and Alfred E. Wood and his sister, Ann Wood Early.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his brothers in law, George Vassar and his wife Margaret and Coleman Allen; his sisters in law, Jean V. Wooldridge and Lucille Wood; his nephew, Larry Early and his wife Marian; his nieces, Bonnie Early Meeks and her husband Dewey and Carol Wood.

Ray was a member of Kedron Baptist Church, and was a charter member of the Long Island Ruritan Club. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

In the 1930's his family moved to High Hill, a former farm of Patrick Henry's, along the Staunton River in Long Island. Ray and his brother, Milburn

operated pulpwood yards in Long Island, Gretna, Blairs, Aspen and Nathalie, Virginia.

Ray's love of the Lord, his family and his country were instilled in him from an early age. He never met a stranger and always, with a twinkle in his eye, kept family and friends spellbound with stories about his lifelong adventures.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at Kedron Baptist Church by the Rev. Brian Reynolds with interment to follow in the church cemetery.

The family will receive their friends from 6-8:00 p.m., Monday at Finch and Finch, Inc. Funeral and Cremation Service, Gladys.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider the Kedron Baptist Church, P.O. Box 38, Gladys, VA 24554.

Cemetery Details

Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery

7862 Brookneal HWY
Gladys, VA 24554

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Gladys
124 Flynn St.
Gladys, VA 24554

Funeral Service

FEB **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Kedron Baptist Church
7862 Brookneal HWY
Gladys, VA 24554

Tribute Wall

SA

“ Sorry to see this man go! My grandparents used to rent from him in long island. Was a great man to talk to growing up! RIP!

Steven Anderson - February 10, 2015 at 08:28 PM

DB

“ Elise,
I was saddened to hear about Ray's passing. He was always so kind to our family. Please know you are in our prayers. Deborah Nash Burman

Deborah N Burman - February 09, 2015 at 06:01 PM

JD

“ Elise and family:
It was a pleasure working with and for Ray throughout my years at Kent & Kent, P.C. He always had a smile on his face and I never heard him utter a cross work. He will be truly missed by all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May God Bless.
Jean Dalton



Jean Dalton - February 09, 2015 at 02:29 PM

RB

“ Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers. I can honestly say that Ray will be missed by many. It's been a pleasure knowing him and having him as a friend.

Rhonda S. Barabach

Rhonda Barabach - February 09, 2015 at 12:33 PM

DS

“ *Doris And Dick Short lit a candle in memory of Frank Ray Wood*



Doris and Dick Short - February 09, 2015 at 10:39 AM

DS

“ *Dick and Doris Short*

Doris and Dick Short - February 09, 2015 at 10:37 AM

CS

“ *Carroll & Amelia Smith lit a candle in memory of Frank Ray Wood*



Carroll & Amelia Smith - February 09, 2015 at 08:33 AM

CG

“ *Charles and Jenny Gills purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Frank Ray Wood .*



Charles and Jenny Gills - February 08, 2015 at 06:00 PM

GD

“ With deepest sympathy on your tremendous loss. May the Lord of Peace comfort you.

*Yours in Christ,
The Claude and Evelyn Dawson family*

Glenda Dawson - February 08, 2015 at 05:02 PM

GD

“ Rest in peace Mr. Wood



Gary and Regina Dickerson - February 08, 2015 at 08:18 AM

LP

“ Lawrence & Lucille Pugh lit a candle in memory of Frank Ray Wood



Lawrence & Lucille Pugh - February 08, 2015 at 08:09 AM

CP

“ Connie Pugh lit a candle in memory of Frank Ray Wood



Connie Pugh - February 08, 2015 at 08:07 AM

EE

“ *Eugene & Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Frank Ray Wood*



Eugene & Mary Edmonds - February 07, 2015 at 08:07 PM