



## Hampton Clifton Cooper

June 8, 1926 - October 14, 2023

Hampton Clifton Cooper, 97, of Altavista died Saturday, October 14, 2023 at Autumn Care of Altavista. He was the husband of the late Mary Ann Krantz Cooper for 46 years and the late Emily Walker Cooper for 25 years.

H.C. was born June 8, 1926 in Salley, South Carolina, a son of the late Livvie Courtney Cooper and Wade Hampton Cooper. He was the youngest of his siblings. He was a charter member of Christian Life Church, formerly Christian Memorial Church, where he served in many capacities. He retired from BGF Industries with 31 years of service. H.C. was a proud veteran who loved his country and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He loved to fish and enjoyed reading (he knew his bible), working word puzzles and watching old movies. In his younger years he enjoyed gardening, flowers and he was an excellent cook.

He is survived by one son, Ronald W. Cooper and his wife, Joan of Altavista and Mitchell "Tommy" Walker and his wife, Myra of Altavista, who he loved like a son; one daughter, Betty C. Gillespie and her husband, Bill of Altavista; a bonus daughter, Susan Crouch of Forest; three grandchildren, W. Douglas Gillespie and his wife, Allison, B. Scott Gillespie and his wife, Jamie and Michael W. Cooper as well as the grandchildren of his beloved, Emily; five great grandchildren, Alanna G. Neal and her husband, Carrington, Raegan Gillespie, Scottie Gillespie, Bryan Gillespie, Zackary Cooper and Kentley

Glass; one great great grandchild, Ayvah Gillespie, who also has a brother on the way; and a host of beloved nieces, nephews and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by three brothers Clifton, Ammons and Anderson Cooper; four sisters, Nolie Stevenson, Emma Curtis, Lela McCullum and Nellie Cooper; and one bonus daughter, Carolyn Evans. Nellie raised H.C. when their mom died when he was 6 months old and his father passed when he was 6 years old. His nieces and nephews were like brothers and sisters to him.

The family would like to thank the staff of Autumn Care and to his angels on earth, Brenda, Michelle, Cassie and Alice.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at Christian Life Church by the Rev. Michael Turner and Rev. Dennis Nichols with interment to follow in Green Hill Cemetery with military honors by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m., Monday at Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at the residence of Betty Gillespie, 155 Quail Ridge Drive, Altavista, VA 24517.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Christian Life Church, P.O. Box 218, Altavista, VA 24517.

# Cemetery Details

## Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **16**. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

## Funeral Service

OCT **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christian Life Church  
333 Shirlen Dr.  
Lynch Station, VA 24571

# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Hampton Clifton Cooper*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - October 15, 2023 at 06:25 PM

AH

*Many prayers to HC's family. He was one of the finest men that I have ever known. Such a southern gentleman. HC loved is like family and we cherish the many memories with him and Emily as we worked in the garden or enjoyed porch chats and laughter.*

Angela Hutcherson - October 18, 2023 at 08:46 PM

AM

“ *Alice mattox lit a candle in memory of Hampton Cooper*



Alice mattox - October 18, 2023 at 09:33 PM

SB

“ *Love & Prayers, Edwin & Sue*



Susan Blackstock - October 16, 2023 at 10:13 AM

KM

“ Prayers for peace...hoping for comfort in all of the memories. Sorry for your loss.

Kathy J Mattox - October 16, 2023 at 08:01 AM

DA

“ Donna A. (: \*



Donna Arthur - October 15, 2023 at 09:07 PM

PP

“ Paulette Payne lit a candle in memory of Hampton Cooper



Paulette Payne - October 15, 2023 at 08:54 PM

ME

“ Betty, so sorry to hear of the loss of your Father. You & your family are in my thoughts & prayers at this time.



Mary Edmonds - October 15, 2023 at 07:26 PM

GC

“ *Gerald W lit a candle in memory of Hampton Cooper*



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**Gerald W Cox** - October 15, 2023 at 07:14 PM

VC

“ *Thoughts and Prayers sent to the Cooper Family. May God give you strength during this difficult time.*

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**Vicky Creasy** - October 15, 2023 at 04:46 PM