



Carl Landis Plummer

June 25, 1948 - September 16, 2025

Carl Landis Plummer of Bowie, MD passed away peacefully after an extended illness on September 16, 2025. He was 77 years old.

He was born in Chestertown, MD on June 25, 1948, the son of the late Ralph Plummer, Sr. and Doris (Smith) Plummer. He graduated from Chestertown High School with the class of 1966, where he met the love of his life and future wife, Nancy Richards. The two were married on April 21, 1968, and raised two children together. Although Landis lived on the Western Shore for 50+ years, his heart was always in Kent County!

Soon after graduation, Landis began working for the Interstate Commerce Commission while attending night school at Benjamin Franklin University (now part of George Washington University) and getting his associate's degree. In July of 1967, he enlisted in the United States Coast Guard and was originally stationed in Atlantic Beach, NC. He was very fortunate to spend most of his service time right in Kent County, at the Still Pond Coast Guard Station. After leaving the service as an honorably discharged Disabled American Veteran, he began working for the ICC again as a paralegal specialist. In the mid 1980's he transferred to the Federal Trade Commission, eventually rising to the position of Assistant to the Secretary by the time of his retirement in 2008, ending a 42-year career with the federal government. He frequently served as Acting Secretary of the FTC, signing legal opinions and overseeing agency directives.

After his retirement, Landis did some groundskeeping work for a few golf

courses. An avid golfer, he was a member of the Bowie Golf Club and loved every minute he spent on the course with family and friends. He was also an avid outdoorsman, whether it was hunting, fishing, crabbing, or working in his vegetable garden. He and Nancy took their kids and grandkids on many cross-country trips over the years, making it to every state in the country except Alaska.

Landis had a strong commitment to service throughout his life. Beyond his 42-year career as a civil servant and his time in the military he was also involved in a number of service organizations. He was an officer in the local chapter of the Jaycees and also involved in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, both civic organizations focused on community service. Landis was also a member of the 10+ gallon club, making life saving blood donations throughout his whole life.

Landis was a cherished and devoted husband, son, brother, father, grandfather, uncle and friend to many. His laughter, love, humor, compassion and zest for life were infectious, and his family and friends feel blessed to have shared in so many wonderful life moments with him. Whether traveling the country with his grandkids or attending their sporting events, playing golf with his buddies, or catching up with hometown friends, Landis always brought a smile and his own special blend of humor and kindness to every situation! Life will not be the same without him!

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his older brother, Ralph Plummer, Jr.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Nancy Plummer; son, David Carl Plummer (Julie); daughter, Cathy Blume (Luke); grandchildren: Brian Plummer (Telka), Michael Plummer, Megan Plummer-Fox (Taylor), Joshua Blume, and Emily Blume; and brother, Ronald Lee Plummer (Ellen).

Services will be held on Saturday, September 27, at 12:00 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown. A visitation will be held an hour and a half prior, from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm at the funeral home. Interment to follow at St. Paul's Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association (www.lung.org/donate), the American Kidney Fund (www.give.kidney.org), or the American Heart Association (www.heart.org/en/why-give).

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Burial

SEP 27 (ET)

St. Pauls Cemetery (Kent County)
7600 Sandy Bottom Road
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl Landis Plummer*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 26, 2025 at 10:33 AM

DS

“ *I knew landis while we were stationed at the Stillpond CG station about 1971 re connecting with him earl 2025. Great knowing you landis you were a good Coaste. RIP*



David Stalker - January 05 at 10:44 AM



“ *Nancy, David and Kathy, I just learned of Lanny's passing. It saddens me to learn that my friend of 50 years has passed. He was a good friend, R.I.P my friend.*



Fred Keeney - October 29, 2025 at 07:25 PM

JP

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Julie Plummer - September 24, 2025 at 08:59 PM

JP

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Julie Plummer - September 24, 2025 at 08:57 PM

MH

“ We were truly fortunate to have shared so much of our lives with Lanny, the very best of friends to us and honorary uncle to our children. We will miss him deeply but will always cherish the many, many happy memories of our times together. Sending all our love to Nan and his beautiful family.



Mary Pat and Reg Howard - September 24, 2025 at 01:19 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.



September 23, 2025 at 07:46 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.



September 23, 2025 at 04:53 PM

JF

“ *Jeanie Ivins and family purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.*



Jeanie Ivins and family - September 20, 2025 at 07:03 PM

EB

“ *Sending condolences to the family of Landis. He and I were friends during our school years and had fun times. Sorry for his passing Libby(Crowding)Bramble*

elizabeth Bramble - September 19, 2025 at 02:47 PM

MC

“ *Sending my love to Nan and family. I've known Lanny for many years and have so many wonderful memories of times our families spent together. The one constant throughout the years is what a wonderful, loving husband, father and grandfather Lanny was! His truly was a life well- lived and his loss will be felt deeply.*

Mary Beth Clark - September 19, 2025 at 10:55 AM

LP

“ *Love, Kristen & Darren Parris purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.*



Love, Kristen & Darren Parris - September 19, 2025 at 09:24 AM

LP

“ Love, Kristen & Darren Parris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Landis Plummer.

Love, Kristen & Darren Parris - September 19, 2025 at 09:24 AM



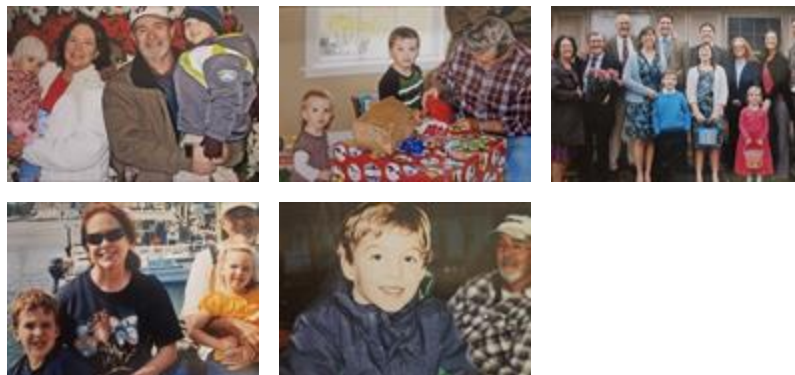
“ Uncle Lanny and the Plummer cookouts was the heart of our summers growing up. He and Aunt Nan made everyone feel like family. He will be missed ❤️ Included a pic from my wedding of Uncle Lanny entertaining his friends 😊



Caitlin Hansen - September 19, 2025 at 08:20 AM

EL

“ Emmy, Josh, Cathy and Luke



Emmy, Josh, Cathy, and Luke - September 18, 2025 at 09:20 PM

BP

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Brian Plummer - September 18, 2025 at 07:59 PM

MP

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Michael Plummer - September 18, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.



September 18, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carl Landis Plummer.

September 18, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Dave and Family!
Washington County Soil Conservation District



Dee Price - September 18, 2025 at 04:22 PM



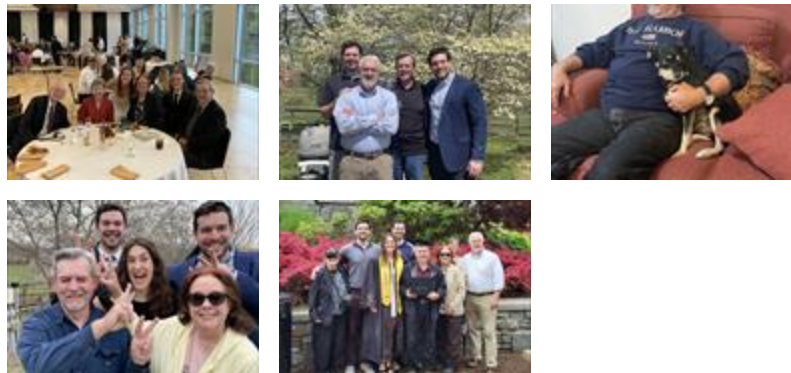
“ George W. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carl Landis Plummer.



George W. - September 18, 2025 at 03:54 PM



“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Megan Plummer-Fox - September 18, 2025 at 03:24 PM

FH

“ 23 files added to the album Memories Album



FHN - September 18, 2025 at 02:55 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 18, 2025 at 01:46 PM

BC

“ Barbara P COLEMAN lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer



Barbara P COLEMAN - September 18, 2025 at 12:07 PM

GS

“ George Short lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer



George Short - September 18, 2025 at 11:18 AM

KC

“ Lingered childhood memories of cousin Lanny spent playing on family farms. He will be greatly missed. Love and prayers for the Plummer family.



Kay Ivins Carnley - September 18, 2025 at 10:56 AM



“ Sandy Green lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer



Sandy Green - September 18, 2025 at 07:58 AM

DH

“ Donna Mills Hollett lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer



Donna Mills Hollett - September 18, 2025 at 07:47 AM

DH

Lanny was a great guy, and he will truly be missed. Many memories of he and my late brother, Herb Mills playing basketball games at CHS. My prayers to Nancy and family.

Donna Mills Hollett - September 18, 2025 at 07:51 AM

DN

“ *Debbie And Bob Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer*



Debbie and Bob Nickerson - September 17, 2025 at 09:57 PM

PB

“ *My heart and prayers go out to Lanny's family. Nancy and he were always so kind and lots of fun. We will miss him as a part of our CHS Class of 1966!! Blessings, Phyllis Hudson Brown*



Phyllis Hudson Brown - September 17, 2025 at 07:53 PM

BB

“ *Barney And Kaye Barnes lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer*



Barney and Kaye Barnes - September 17, 2025 at 07:50 PM

LM

“ *Louie and I send deep sympathy to all of Lanny's wonderful family. He was a great guy, whom we always loved seeing. He will be much missed.*

Lynn McLain - September 17, 2025 at 06:00 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Carl Landis Plummer*



Jeanette Stubbs - September 17, 2025 at 02:55 PM

BP

“ *Sincere condolences to Lanny's family.*



Bruce & Lisa Plummer - September 17, 2025 at 01:47 PM