



Edwin Lane Cole

March 6, 1941 - May 4, 2025

Edwin Lane Cole, of Queenstown, MD, passed away peacefully at home on May 4, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. He was 84.

Lane, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and community pillar, was a proud graduate of Centreville High School, Class of 1960. He will be forever cherished by his devoted wife of 62 years, Connie Cole (Burns). He is survived by his daughters, Daphne Fluharty (Tim) of Cordova, MD, and Stephanie Ivory (Matt) of Harrington, DE. Lane's cherished legacy lives on through his three grandchildren, Adam Fluharty (Chelsea) of Milford, DE, Stephen Fluharty of Baltimore, MD, and McKenzie Hardy (James) of Greenwood, DE; and three great-grandchildren, Gavin, Iris, and Ellie, with another expected in October. He is also survived by his sister, Faye Anderson (Lenny) of Severna Park, MD; brother-in-law, Sonny Dodd of Queenstown, MD; sister-in-law, J. Faye Burns of Queenstown, MD; nephews, Tommy Dodd (Sandy), Bill Dodd (Christine), Lenny Anderson, and Jackson Cole; and niece, Ally Cole. Lane was predeceased by his parents, William Edwin Cole and Ellen Thomas Cole; his sister, Margaret Ann Dodd; and his brother, Ed Cole Jr.

A Queenstown legend, Lane proudly served his community with unwavering dedication and integrity. As Town Commissioner and Public Works Director from May 1991 until his retirement in December 2017, he oversaw daily contractor work and major town projects, including installing water meters, developing new wells, upgrading water and sewer systems, and paving

streets. His proudest achievement was helping coordinate the construction of the town's largest project, the new wastewater treatment plant. In recognition of his service, the new public works facility was dedicated to Edwin Lane Cole. Lane's commitment to Queenstown extended far beyond his professional roles. He proudly served the Queenstown Fire Department for 55 years, the American Legion Benedict A. Andrew Post 296, the Queenstown Lions Club, and the Bay Country Moose Lodge 831. Known as the town's "unofficial mayor," Lane was a fixture in the community, where his warmth, humor, and generosity touched countless lives.

Above all, Lane cherished time with his family, especially his grandchildren, and found joy in helping others. His legacy endures in the town he helped shape and the love he shared with those around him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Queenstown Fire Department or Compass Regional Hospice, located at 160 Coursevall Dr., Centreville, MD 21617.

Friends may call from 6-8 PM on Monday, 12 May at Fellows, Helfenbein, Newman Funeral Home in Centreville, MD. Memorial service will be at Olde Wye Church in Wye Mills, MD on 13 May at 11 AM

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Funeral Service

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Old Wye Parish
14114 Old Wye Mills Road
Wye Mills, MD

Food and Fellowship

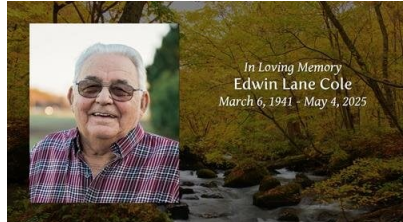
MAY 13. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Old Wye Parish House
14114 Old Wye Mills Road
Wye Mills, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 08, 2025 at 02:05 PM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Doug Pierson - May 14, 2025 at 11:12 AM

KM

“ *Sending prayers to Ms Connie , Daphne, Stephanie, and the Cole family*



Kathy & Billy Moore - May 13, 2025 at 09:04 PM

JS

“ *Lane was one of the most cheerful persons I ever worked with and a true gentleman. He will be truly missed.*

Jack Shaum - May 13, 2025 at 08:22 AM

SM

“ Lane was never seen without that big smile around Queenstown. He will be missed and I am sending my prayers and thoughts to Connie and family.



Sandra Miller - May 12, 2025 at 11:32 PM

DR

“ I had many dealings with Lane when renovating a house in Queenstown. He was always honest, straightforward, knowledgeable and a true gentleman. May God give his family comfort at this time.

Dan Richardson - May 12, 2025 at 11:52 AM

JG

“ Sending prayers for comfort and healing to Ms. Connie, Daphne, Stephanie & all the family. Mr. Lane may have left this worldly life, but his legacy will certainly continue. I hope that the memories made and the love shared over the years will help to ease your grief as you move forward. With much love & sympathy,
Janet Gadow



Janet Gadow - May 12, 2025 at 10:28 AM

RC

“ Ruthsburg Community Club lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Ruthsburg Community Club - May 11, 2025 at 08:50 PM

RC

Mr. Cole was a strong supporter of our breakfasts at Ruthsburg Community Club. He never hardly missed a breakfast. He will be missed and our prayers to the family at this time. Blessings, RCC

Ruthsburg Community Club - May 11, 2025 at 08:52 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Edwin Lane Cole.*



May 11, 2025 at 05:14 AM

MC

“ *Marion & Lisa Chance lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Marion & Lisa Chance - May 09, 2025 at 06:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edwin Lane Cole.*



May 08, 2025 at 02:03 PM

JE

“ *Sending love and prayers to the Cole family* ❤️ 🙏

Jennifer Eason - May 07, 2025 at 09:57 PM

LW

“ Larry And Lynne Wilkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Larry and Lynne Wilkins - May 07, 2025 at 09:04 PM

C1

“ CHS Class Of 1960 lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



CHS Class of 1960 - May 07, 2025 at 04:33 PM

SB

“ Stephanie Specht & Donna Broussard lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Stephanie Specht & Donna Broussard - May 07, 2025 at 04:06 PM

SB

This is a great loss to the entire community in Queenstown. He was a wonderful, caring and giving man. Our sincere condolences to his family, friends and the community that he served with kindness and professionalism. He will be greatly missed. 💔🙏

Stephanie Specht & Donna Broussard - May 07, 2025 at 04:12 PM

LI

“ With Deepest sympathy to the family may God grant you all the strength to get through this loss! ❤️ Linda (Wenck)Stair and Family



LindaSStair - May 07, 2025 at 02:32 PM

BN

“ Bobby And Genevieve Norris sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Bobby and Genevieve Norris - May 07, 2025 at 09:51 AM

RB

“ Rachel Brookman lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Rachel Brookman - May 07, 2025 at 09:28 AM

JE

“ Jim And Mary Ann Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - May 07, 2025 at 09:23 AM

JE

Connie and family, We are so sorry for your loss. God Bless you. Jim and Mary Ann Edwards

Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - May 07, 2025 at 09:25 AM

FT

“ Frankie Todd lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Frankie Todd - May 07, 2025 at 06:29 AM

MD

“ Uncle Lane not only a pillar to his community but also to his family. Love and miss you!

Mary Ann Dodd - May 07, 2025 at 05:05 AM

JP

“ JoAnn & Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



JoAnn & Royden Powell - May 06, 2025 at 08:01 PM

DP

“ Debbie & Lloyd Pahlman lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Debbie & Lloyd Pahlman - May 06, 2025 at 07:17 PM

CD

“ Chris And Dee lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Chris and Dee - May 06, 2025 at 06:53 PM

EM

“ With loving best memories & sincere condolences to our entire hometown Cole family ~♡



Emily Capel Meintzer

Emily Vapel Meintzer - May 06, 2025 at 06:37 PM

BB

“ Bobbi Burr lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Bobbi Burr - May 06, 2025 at 05:53 PM

DR

“ Sending thoughts and prayers to Connie and Family. Lane will definitely be missed in our community. Will miss seeing him at The Little Legion, always bringing The Queenstown Fire Dept Firetruck to our Auxiliary Events for the children. And mostly his warm smile and friendship! Jeff and Diane Ruth



Diane Ruth - May 06, 2025 at 05:22 PM

BP

“ *Bill And Norma Patton lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Bill and Norma Patton - May 06, 2025 at 04:46 PM

DM

“ *Donna Milby lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Donna Milby - May 06, 2025 at 04:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edwin Lane Cole.*



May 06, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edwin Lane Cole.*

May 06, 2025 at 03:26 PM

JD

“ Our Love and Prayers for Connie and Daphne and Stephanie and the whole Cole family of relatives on the passing of Lane. I will always be grateful for his love and all the help he gave my brother when he was just 16. He gave him racing slicks. I also remember Daphne saying when she jumped her pony Charity as a girl her Dad (Lane) would tell her, "Jump higher!" Joy and Dick Duffy

Joyce Duffy - May 06, 2025 at 03:18 PM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - May 06, 2025 at 03:17 PM

GP

Connie and family: we are saddened to learn the passing of Lane. It was great to see him at his class luncheon few weeks ago. Gene was so glad he got to have lunch with the the Class if 1960. He was a great inspiration to the Community and did so much to leave a legacy. Hold onto the wonderful memories and the road will be a little smoother. God bless and many prayers coming your way. Gene and Lynda Palmatary

Gene and Lynda Palmatary - May 06, 2025 at 03:21 PM

SD

“ Connie and Daphne, sending my condolences to you all and your family



Sherry Dolby - May 06, 2025 at 02:01 PM

JC

“ June Clark lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



June Clark - May 06, 2025 at 01:42 PM

LS

“ Lu Anne Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Lu Anne Smith - May 06, 2025 at 12:58 PM

BF

“ Brenda Fischer lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Brenda fischer - May 06, 2025 at 11:28 AM

PM

“ Connie and Family
Lane will be missed greatly by all that knew him. Our prayers are for you and him.



Pat & Wayne Morris - May 06, 2025 at 11:09 AM

JD

“ Jack And Diane lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



jack and diane - May 06, 2025 at 09:39 AM

KS

“ To all of your family, so sorry for your loss. My sincere condolences, Kathy



Kathy Spry - May 06, 2025 at 08:33 AM

EC

“ Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Eastern Shore Dental Care - May 06, 2025 at 08:20 AM

BJ

“ Brandy Jewell lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Brandy Jewell - May 05, 2025 at 10:09 PM

DL

“ *Doug And Michelle Leatherman sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Doug and Michelle Leatherman - May 05, 2025 at 10:08 PM

JT

“ *Prayers for the family*



Jt and Judy Thompson - May 05, 2025 at 09:25 PM

SL

“ *Suzanne Lane lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Suzanne Lane - May 05, 2025 at 09:10 PM

DT

“ *Diana/Stu Tarrant lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Diana/Stu Tarrant - May 05, 2025 at 08:51 PM

LH

“ *My sincere condolences to the family*



Lyn Higdon - May 05, 2025 at 08:25 PM

BQ

“ *Bruce Quinn lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Bruce Quinn - May 05, 2025 at 08:22 PM

WH

“ *Wendy Hampton sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Wendy Hampton - May 05, 2025 at 08:22 PM

DP

“ *Dave And Kathy Poet lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole*



Dave and Kathy Poet - May 05, 2025 at 08:04 PM

MD

“ Matt, Roxanne, Dylan And Trevor Dean lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Matt, Roxanne, Dylan and Trevor Dean - May 05, 2025 at 07:51 PM

LS

“ Lori And Nick Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Lori and Nick Sullivan - May 05, 2025 at 07:19 PM

LW

“ Larry And Lynne Wilkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Larry and Lynne Wilkins - May 05, 2025 at 06:05 PM

LL

“ Lynn & John Ludwig lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Lynn & John Ludwig - May 05, 2025 at 05:53 PM

TK

“ Tom Knox lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Tom Knox - May 05, 2025 at 05:29 PM

RJ

“ Ronnie And Rhonda Jewell lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Ronnie and Rhonda Jewell - May 05, 2025 at 04:34 PM

DW

“ David & Kathy Wenck lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



David & kathy Wenck - May 05, 2025 at 04:21 PM

FS

“ Memories? Where do I start. Enoiugh to last a lifetime. Will miss my good friend. Always there when I needed him.

Frank and Jarrett Smith - May 05, 2025 at 04:20 PM

JA

“ I will miss you, Mr. Lane. Many comforting thoughts to your family. 💕💕



Jane Anthony - May 05, 2025 at 04:15 PM

PM

“ Phil & Lois MacDonald lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lane Cole



Phil & Lois MacDonald - May 05, 2025 at 03:46 PM