



Fentress Webster Sheppard

August 14, 1936 - May 15, 2022

Fentress Webster Sheppard departed this life on May 15, 2022, at Compass Regional Hospice in Centreville, MD. Fentress was born August 14, 1936, in North Hampton, Virginia to the late Edward H. Sheppard and Annie Elizabeth Dillard Sheppard Lewis Hawkins. He was 85.

At an early age, Fentress gave his life to Christ and received his Christian foundation at New Zion United Methodist Church in Newtown, MD.

Fentress graduated from Moton High School. He joined the Army as an Armor Intelligence Specialist in June 1955. Fentress was medically discharged after rescuing his commander out of enemy fire. In 1963, Fentress re-enlisted in the Army and later attended Drill Sergeant School. His tours of duty included; Colorado, Alaska, Hawaii, Vietnam and Germany. Fentress received the National Defense Service Medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Silver Star, Good Conduct Medal w/4th Awards, Vietnam Service Medal w/4 Bronze Service Stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal w/60 Device and Vietnam /Cross of Gallantry w/Palm.

After retiring from the military in August 1980, Fentress started his own business driving a tractor trailer coast to coast for 19 years. Fentress was a member of American Legion Post #77 in Talbot County, Md.

Fentress leaves to mourn and cherish his memory, one son and three daughters; Fentress Sheppard, Jr of Fort Worth, TX; Jacqueline Peterson (Robert) of Grasonville, MD; Linda Johnson (Horace) of Columbia, SC; and Glynis Skinner of Columbia, SC. Nine Grandchildren; Karington Sheppard, Markel Paulin, Tyvian Walters, Jahmaul Walters, Marcus Sheppard, Kevisha Brown, Heather Brown, Tia Slaughter, Rupert Walters III; two sisters, Thelma Miller (Joseph) of Baltimore, MD, and Annie Lawson (Jerry) of Cordova, MD; one brother, Edward Sheppard of Easton, MD; brother-in-law Jack Johnson, Accomack, VA, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Edward Sheppard and Annie Elizabeth Dillard Sheppard Lewis Hawkins; his wife Mathilde Sheppard; three sisters, Sarah Johnson, Mona Sheppard, and Jennifer Sheppard.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022, viewing 10:00 a.m. - 11 a.m., and funeral 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newman Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, Maryland. There will be a live webcast of the service that will begin at 11:00 AM on May 21, 2022. Burial will be Monday, May 23, 2022 at 10:00 AM at the MD Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery, 6827 E New Market Ellwood Rd. Hurlock MD, 21643

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Compass Regional Hospice, 160 Coursevall Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

A special thank you to the staff at Queenstown Landing in Grasonville, and Candle Light Cove Memory Care in Easton.

Cemetery Details

Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery

Hurlock, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Service

MAY 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

MAY 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery
Hurlock, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast will begin at 11:00 AM in memory of Fentress Webster Sheppard*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 21, 2022 at 10:17 AM

MJ

RIP my friend. Thanks for your service comrade!

MSG(ret) S. Dean Jordan - May 22, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Fentress Webster Sheppard*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 17, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ *Fentress Webster Sheppard*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Fentress Webster Sheppard*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Fentress Webster Sheppard*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I am glad to have met fentress Sheppard. I would hear a quiet walk coming down the hallway and look up there he was 3 or 4 in the morning. I would ask is there anything I can get for you he would say a little something to nibble on. Always a smile. He is missed.RIP my friend with respect Karen Wilkins.*

Karen Wilkins - May 20, 2022 at 06:06 PM



“ *Fondly remembering my late mama's big brother with so much love. Take your rest Uncle Fentress. Hugs and love to you Cousins Junie, Jackie, Linda, and Glynis.*

Michelle Johnson White

Michelle Johnson White - May 20, 2022 at 07:52 AM



“ *Charlotte Potter Simmons lit a candle in memory of Fentress Webster Sheppard*



Charlotte Potter Simmons - May 19, 2022 at 07:52 PM

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“ *Fentress was my neighbor and when he would stop by he had some funny stories to tell . We are sorry for your loss but God has him now*
Freddie and Gloria Taylor

Freddie Taylor - May 18, 2022 at 03:43 PM

QL

“ *The Queenstown Landing Family sends our prayers and condolences.*
We absolutely loved having Shep with us here at QTL!
His ever present easy going smile and demeanor lit up our days and we cherish the time he was with us. Much love to Jackie and the entire family.

Queenstown Landing - May 18, 2022 at 12:12 PM