



Francis Phifer

February 29, 2004

Francis Maxwell Phifer died February 29, 2004 at The Heartland House, Grasonville, MD. Max was born in Arnold, NE, on June 18, 1908 to the late Daisy Bishop and Charles Phifer.

On April 14, 1937 he married Evelyn Palmer and they made their home in the Bremerton, Washington area. They enjoyed 60 years of marriage, setting up a volunteer fire department in Silverdale, Washington, as well as spending many hours on their sailboat. They enjoyed cruising as well as racing on Puget Sound. Max retired from the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in 1970 where he was an electrician.

In 1988 Max and Evelyn moved to Denton, MD to live near their daughter Gail Rankin and her family. Evelyn died on December 23, 1997.

A son, Barry, of Salem, OR, predeceased his parents. Max is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Gail and Bill Rankin of Queenstown, MD; four granddaughters, Kathleen Rankin of Alexandria, VA, Shelia Tocher of Philadelphia, PA, Jaime and Kelly Phifer of Portland, OR; one great granddaughter, Meaghan Tocher of Philadelphia, PA.

Friends and family may call at the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Chester, MD on Friday, March 5, 2004 from 11AM to 2PM.

Interment to follow privately in Stevensville Cemetery, Stevensville, MD.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of Queen Anne's Inc., 300 Del Rhodes Avenue, Queenstown MD 21658.

Tribute Wall



“ Francis Phifer

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Francis Phifer

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Francis Phifer

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