



## Francis C. Cole Sr.

December 4, 2005

Francis Clifton "Smiley" Cole Sr. of Easton, Maryland died at his home on Sunday, December 4, 2005 at the age of 80.

Born in Chester, PA on January 28, 1925, he was the son of the late Thomas Clifton and Hilda Catherine Callahan Cole. He was a World War II Navy Veteran.

A colorful figure in Talbot County for the past 60 years, "Smiley Cole" will be remembered as an avid golfer and prolific entrepreneur. Among his more notable accomplishments were "The Bridge" Restaurant, Tilghman Island, Maryland, Cole's Pest Control and Cole's Hunting Guides, Easton, Maryland. After giving retirement a try, "Smiley" became a Real Estate Agent and enjoyed renovating older area homes and restoring them to "better than original" condition.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Shirley Cluff Cole; and three children, Sharon Cole Castellano of Bunnell, Florida, Francis Clifton Cole, Jr. of Easton, Maryland, and Ronald Wayne Cole and his wife Kim of Bear, Delaware. Also surviving are four siblings, Robert James Cole of Easton, Maryland, William Hughlett Cole and his wife Carol of Salisbury, Maryland, Hilda Joyce Poore and her husband Billy of Bozman, Maryland and Patricia Anne Chaplain and

her husband Jimmy of Easton, Maryland. Two sisters, Margaret "Peggy" Ewing and Mary Lee Pritchard, preceded him in death. In addition, two grandchildren, Chad and Kelly Castellano, one great grandchild, Dalton Castellano, plus a number of nieces and nephews survive him.

Funeral services will be held at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, Easton, Maryland on Friday, December 9, 2005 at 11:00 AM. Friends may call 1 hour prior to service.

Burial will take place at the Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock, Maryland.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation be made in his honor to the Regional Cancer Center, Marie Harkowa Pin Fund, c/o Dr. Mary Deshields, PO Box 1768, Easton, MD 21601 or Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr., Easton, MD 21601.

# Tribute Wall



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