



Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.

April 24, 1934 - February 20, 2012

Frederick Eugene Leadbetter, Sr., of Chestertown, MD, passed away on Monday, February 20, 2012, at his home. He was 77.

Mr. Leadbetter was born on April 24, 1934, in Lincolnville, ME. He was the first of seven children born to the late, Norman Eugene and Mildred Geneva Porter Leadbetter. He graduated from Cosby High School in Belfast, ME, in 1951. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and a Master of Arts in Administration and Supervision from East Carolina University and worked thirty hours toward a doctorate.

In 1967, he married Ann Craft in Centreville, MD. They lived in Centreville where he served as a teacher at Centreville Elementary School for seven years and principal for 15 years and at Church Hill for 13 years.

He and his family moved to Chestertown in 1982. Mr. Leadbetter retired in 1996. He was a member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church where he served as an usher and as delegate to the Diocese of Easton. Mr. Leadbetter was also a member of the Retired Teachers Association, Maryland Retired School Personnel Association and QARSPS and was a life member of the Maryland PTA. He was also a member of the Founders and Patriots of America, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims, and John Paul Jones Chapter of MSSAR. He was a stamp collector, and loved gardening and listening to music.

Mr. Leadbetter is survived by his son, Frederick Leadbetter, Jr. of Chestertown, MD; three sisters, Trixie Jewell, Lorraine Erskin and Helen Beckett all of ME; and one brother, John Leadbetter of Maine.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 11 a.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 101 North Cross Street, Chestertown, MD. Relatives and friends may call on Monday, February 27, 2012, between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road, Chestertown, MD.

Interment will be in Church Hill Cemetery following the service.

Cemetery Details

Church Hill Cemetery

Cemetery Road
Church Hill, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Chestertown Location
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 778-0055
info@fhnfuneralhome.com

Service

FEB 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
101 N. Cross St.
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - January 26, 2023 at 08:55 PM



“ *Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Natasha A. Holley lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Natasha A. Holley - February 29, 2012 at 04:54 PM

NH

Mr. Leadbetter...Thanks for being a good strong Elementary School Principal that stood for what was right. Also thank you for being a good boss to my Mother the late Esther H. Holley. You treated her fair and with respect.

Natasha A. Holley - February 29, 2012 at 04:59 PM

RL

“ *Robin Laird lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Robin Laird - February 26, 2012 at 10:08 AM

RL

*Fred,
Our thoughts and prayers go out to you with your father's passing. He was a very special man who loved children and teaching more than anything. He was my principal for 3 years as well as my children's principal during their elementary days. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. You are and will be in our prayers.
Sincerely,
Robin and Jack Laird*

Robin Laird - February 26, 2012 at 10:14 AM

DB

“ *Staff of Luisa's Cafe*

Debra Cornelius Blanchfield - February 26, 2012 at 07:13 AM

BS

“ *Bess Marie Sterling lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Bess Marie Sterling - February 22, 2012 at 09:08 AM

DS

“ *Deborah Bradley Staigerwald lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Deborah Bradley Staigerwald - February 21, 2012 at 08:58 PM

DS

Mr.Leadbetter was my 5th grade teacher. A very nice, caring man. I'll never forget the day he sang Follow the Yellow Brick Road with me as we skipped out of school onto the playground. Just goes to show he loved people. You will be missed!

Deborah Bradley Staigerwald - February 21, 2012 at 09:02 PM

TB

“ *Mr. Leadbetter would always start a speech with I am a "maniac" from Maine
He was my children's principle at Church Hill, a natural educator
Tink and Beverly Blakeney*

Tink and Beverly Blakeney - February 21, 2012 at 06:34 PM

CM

“ *Celia Matthews lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Celia Matthews - February 21, 2012 at 05:45 PM

CM

Fred hired me to teach special education at Church Hill Elementary in 1980. I admired the fact that he loved children so much that he tried to find a way into the classroom to teach. If you had a sick child at home, he would tell you to go home and he would teach your class. Fred also knew how to "bug" his bosses. He took education lightly and children with all his heart. He was a true born educator and a true administer that followed his heart. He will be missed by all who knew him and cherished his humanity!

Celia Matthews - February 21, 2012 at 05:52 PM

NC

“ *Nancy Hall Coleman lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Nancy Hall Coleman - February 21, 2012 at 01:24 PM

NC

He was principle when my children were at Church Hill. He was so supportive of the parents as well as the students. He made a positive impact on each of my children. They are heartbroken.

Nancy Hall Coleman - February 21, 2012 at 01:25 PM

BD

“ *Bev Dadds lit a candle in memory of Frederick Eugene Leadbetter Sr.*



Bev Dadds - February 21, 2012 at 11:16 AM

BD

Mr. Leadbetter was a wonderful man and friend. He will be missed.

Bev Dadds - February 21, 2012 at 11:21 AM

CM

Bev and so the circle of life at CHES has begun

Celia Matthews - February 21, 2012 at 05:54 PM

PE

“ *Mr. Leadbetter was a very caring man who always thought of his children/students. He was my 5th grade teacher. When I became a teacher for Queen Anne's County, he was always supportive and friendly.*



Pam Clark Edwards

Pam Edwards - February 20, 2012 at 08:29 PM