



George R. Tarr, Sr.

December 20, 1917 - June 20, 2009

George R. Tarr, Sr. of Royal Oak Rd., St. Michaels died at Caroline Hospice House in Denton on Saturday, June 20, 2009. He was 91.

Born in Baltimore, he was the son of the late, George M. Tarr, Jr. and Mabel M. Jones Tarr. After the family's return to Carpenter St. in St. Michaels, when he was a young child, he attended school until the 8th grade. He worked at Higgins Boatyard until his enlistment in Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps. He was drafted into the U.S. Army, 76th Division, on June 20, 1941 and did basic training at Fort Meade, MD. His final move in the states was to Fort McCoy, WI, where he was transferred to the newly activated 80th Division. On July 4, 1944, he boarded the Queen Mary bound for England. By ship they traveled to France, were loaded onto a landing craft, destination Normandy Beach one week after the original landing. They battled their way across France, Holland, arriving in Hoechst, Germany where he remained until his return crossing of the Atlantic on a liberty ship he described as "a large tin can". He was wounded in action in Belgium, receiving a Purple Heart. He also was awarded three Battle Stars, Good Conduct Medal, Victory Medal, EAME Campaign Medal and the American Campaign Medal. He was Honorably discharged from the U.S. Army at the 5th Regiment Armory in Baltimore in November 1945.

He returned to St. Michaels where he married his former girlfriend, Marian L.

Hunt from Trenton, NJ on September 30, 1949. They made their home at the "Tarr House" on Willow St. in St. Michaels until her death in 1989, when he moved to Royal Oak Rd. He worked as a residential electrician for George Lee and Luebbeck Electric until his retirement in 1980. He and Marian spent many fun filled days travelling until her illness in 1988.

George was one of the 125 charter members of the VFW E.E. Streets Memorial Post 5118, Easton, MD and a life member of the St. Michaels Volunteer Fire Department. He enjoyed fishing in the Miles River and restoring his old stationary motors around the Delmarva and Pennsylvania.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Ann Smith and her husband, Phil of Trappe; a son, George R. Tarr, Jr. and his significant other, Sandy Hubbard of Royal Oak; four grandchildren, Robert Carroll Smith and his wife, Daphne of Trappe, Rebecca Chase Adams and her husband, John of Easton, Christopher George Tarr and his wife, Melanie of Millington, Robyn Leah Allen and her husband, Benjamin of Hurlock; twelve great grandchildren; and one great, great grandchild. Also surviving are his sisters, Virginia Lowry of Naples, FL and Louise Visgaitis of St. Michaels; and his brothers Walter "Buster" and his wife, Jackie of St. Michaels, Lewis and his wife Wynne of Olivehurst, CA, and John "Billy" and his wife, Louise of Wahiawa, HI.

He is preceded in death by one sister, Mildred Whiteside.

A viewing will be held Wednesday, June 24th, 2009 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Easton. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, June 25, 2009 at 11:00 am at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in St. Michaels.

Burial will follow at Olivet Cemetery, St. Michaels.

Pallbearers will be Robert Smith, John Adams, Christopher Tarr, Benjamin Allen, Ernest Burns and John Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Caroline Home for Hospice, PO Box 362, Denton, MD 21629.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
304 S. Talbot Street
St. Michaels, MD

Tribute Wall



“ George R. Tarr, Sr.

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ George R. Tarr, Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ George R. Tarr, Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM