



Giles M. Alderman

February 26, 1930 - October 14, 2008

Giles M. Alderman died suddenly October 14, 2008 at Memorial Hospital at Easton.

Born February 26, 1930 in the rural mountain area of Laurel Fork, VA, he was the son of the late William Jefferson "Jeff" and Venia Lou Alderman. He moved to the Preston, MD area in 1935.

Giles began school in the one room school in Hog Creek, MD, later going to Preston School. During his school years he would return to Virginia to attend school there, returning to attend and graduate from Easton High School in 1947. He was proud that he had an instrumental part in planning and attending the only reunion the class of '47 ever had, which was their 50th in 1997.

Giles had a lifelong love of sports, and coached and managed many local Pony League and American Legion baseball teams. He was proud of the boys who became good men. The fact that he helped coach Harold Baines always held special meaning for him. Later he helped coach the Roe's softball team with Gene Butler. He loved following his daughter Terri's sporting events, as well as granddaughter Crystal's, always there in a cheering, supporting role. He was a fan of Navy as well as Virginia and University of Maryland college teams.

The Easton Volunteer Fire Department was a passion of Giles' from the time he joined in May of 1954. He was a proud firefighter and moved up through the ranks to become a line officer, and then Chief in 1967 and 1968. He later served on the Board of Trustees and has been a life member after his days as an active firefighter. His years of service, friendship, and camaraderie meant a great deal to Giles. He loved taking the children of his family to show them the "firehouse" and the "fire trucks". This was especially true with his daughter, granddaughter, and in recent months his great-grandson, Colin.

He was employed by McCord's Laundry and Dry Cleaners in the dry cleaning plant for over 49 years. For the last ten years, he has been employed part-time as a courier for Chesapeake Publishing. These ten years, as part of the composition department, as well as his contacts with all the other departments within the company, have been very happy ones for him.

He was a member of the VFW Men's Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion. He was also a member of the Maryland National Guard for nine years.

Giles married Joyce Harrison in February of 1959, sharing almost fifty years of marriage. They have a daughter, Terri, a granddaughter, Crystal, and a great-grandson, Colin – all the lights of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce; daughter, Terri Tull and her companion Larry Johnson; granddaughter, Crystal Tull; great-grandson, Colin Dudding; brother-in-law, Dale Harrison and his wife Linda; sister-in-law, Betty Harrison; nephews, Joe Newell (Mary), Danny Harrison, Kevin Harrison, Scott Harrison (Loretta), Skip Harrison (Jenny), Troy Harrison (Janet); niece, Louise Cassell (Oleon); nephew-in-law, Alfred Horton; and a special godson, Les Chance.

He is predeceased by his parents, Jeff and Venia Alderman; sisters, Zula

Nester and Stella Weddle; brothers, Alonzo Alderman, Earnest Alderman, and William "Shag" Alderman; mother and father in-law, Mae and Clark Harrison; and brother in law, Sam Harrison.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 PM on Saturday, October 18, 2008 at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Easton, MD.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 19, 2008 at the Easton Volunteer Fire Department in Easton.

Burial will be at Junior Order Cemetery, Preston, MD.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations made to the Easton Volunteer Fire Department, 315 Aurora Park Drive, Easton, MD 21601.

Previous Events

Service

OCT **19**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Easton Volunteer Fire Department
315 Aurora Park Drive
Easton, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Giles M. Alderman*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Giles M. Alderman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Giles M. Alderman*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dearest Joyce & family*

Please know that our prayers and thoughts are with you.

*Vernon & Rose Miles##imported-begin##Rose & Vernon Miles
Sr##imported-end##*

October 18, 2008 at 03:44 PM



“ *Joyce, have we really been friends for forty-some years? We will never forget all the good times we had with you, Giles and Terri. Our prayers are with you and your family. Our love, ann and gene##imported-begin##ANN AND GENE BUTLER##imported-end##*

October 18, 2008 at 08:03 AM



“ Dear Joyce, Terri, Crystal and Colin,
I was so sorry to find out that your
husband, dad, grand dad & great grand pop has passed away. You
are all in my thoughts and prayers. I will not be able to attend
Saturday but will be with you in spirit. Please let me know if I can do
anything. You all are some of my favorite
people. Take care. I'll be seeing you.
Love Connie###imported-begin##Connie Harris
Sypniewski###imported-end##

October 16, 2008 at 10:38 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with both of you, Joyce and Terri.
Giles will always hold a special place in my heart. He was like a
second father to me when we lived next door to each other. He was
the only person allowed to call me "Redhead" and get away with it.
Although our paths have wandered over the years, I would always
think about him when our shared birthdays would come around. We
had many fun and happy memories and I cherish them all.
Love,
Theresa
"Redhead"###imported-begin##Theresa Moeller Rainey###imported-
end##

October 16, 2008 at 08:15 PM



“ Teri: Thinking of you and your family in the sudden loss of your dad.
May your memories of him always remain with you and God will
surely give you the strength and peace to live each day. God Bless
you and your family. Lynda Palmatary, 221 Hope Road, Centreville,
md.###imported-begin##Lynda H. Palmatary###imported-end##

October 16, 2008 at 02:29 PM