



## Herndon Peach Jr.

April 1, 1921 - April 3, 2016

Herndon Peach, Jr., 95, passed away peacefully, with his wife Mary at his side, on April 3, 2016, at Talbot Hospice.

Herndon was born in Washington, DC, on April 1, 1921, to parents Louise Hamilton Peach and Herndon Peach, Sr. He was one of three children; a brother, James Hamilton Peach (deceased) and a sister, Ida Peach Brady. Herndon grew up in an old farm house in Mitchellville, MD, and attended Mt. Oak Methodist Church, which was founded by some of his relatives. While living there, Herndon attended Mullikin School and later graduated from Marlboro High School in 1939.

Upon leaving Marlboro High School, he attended a one-year, post-graduate course at Randolph-Macon Academy in Front Royal, VA. After completing his education, Herndon worked as an electrician's helper at the House Office Building in Washington, DC, until he joined the U.S. Navy as an aviation mechanic in 1942. His tours of duty included working at naval air stations in Washington, DC, Ottumwa, IA, Norfolk, VA, Banana River, FL, and Hawaii.

Shortly after leaving the Navy, Herndon began working for the C & P Telephone Company on April 22, 1946. His duties were associated with being a lineman, installer-repairman, test man, and PBX installer. Though the telephone company split in 1984, he started working for A T & T, and when he

retired, he had a total of 38 years with both companies. During his employment with the phone company, Herndon met and married his wife, Mary McCaffrey, on October 6, 1956.

In 1984, Herndon retired, spending time between Ocean City, Mitchellville, and Easton. He enjoyed fishing, bowling, playing cards, playing pool, riding the waves, traveling and spending time at the beach.

Clearly the Lord had blessed Herndon with a good life, full of joy, a loving family and good friends.

A funeral service will be held on Monday, April 11, at 10:30 a.m. at Mt. Oak Methodist Church in Bowie, MD. Burial will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Ft. Lincoln Cemetery in Brentwood, MD.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Oak Methodist Church, 14110 Mount Oak Road, Bowie, MD 20721.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Lincoln Cemetery**

Baldensburg, MD

# Previous Events

## **Service**

APR 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

Mount Oak United Methodist Church  
14110 Mount Oak Rd.  
Bowie, MD

## **Graveside Service**

APR 11. 2:30 PM (ET)

Ft. Lincoln Cemetery  
Baldensburg, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Herndon Peach Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Herndon Peach Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Herndon Peach Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

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“ I am truly sorry to learn of Herndon's passing – particularly this long after his passing. I worked with Herndon from 1980-1984 at 12th NW. In fact, my wife and I purchased his old 1975 Chevy two-tone pick up truck in the early 80's. It was well kept and took us and the kids to Hatteras many times.

*The old phone company was like a dysfunctional family with all its warts and blemishes, but we had a lot of fun – usually at each others expense, but we had a great time with lots of memories. Herndon was a good sport. But, the breakup of the phone company was more than the splitting up of a company. The phone company family was split apart too, or would soon be as well as companies continued to be bought out. I, myself, left AT&T a few months after Herndon retired to go on my own journey.*

*The last time I saw Herndon was at Ray Brown's gathering around 2000, or perhaps the year before. Herndon was looking fantastic at that time and that was 14-15 years after retiring, so I am glad Herndon lived a long and fruitful life. Herndon is one of the last old-timers I had the pleasure to work with back in the late 70's to early 80's. Almost all are long gone and didn't come close to making it to their 15th retirement anniversary let alone almost 32 years. My hat goes off to you Herndon and my condolences go out to Herndon's wife, Mary, and his family.*

*Bill Parke  
Damascus, Md. 20872*

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**Bill Parke** - September 11, 2016 at 04:18 PM



“ *Mr. Peach was such a gentleman. He was so kind, and so pleasant to be around. He had that contagious smile, and was always happy whenever I took care of him. I a proud to say I took care of one great gentle soul! Rest in paradise! And ride on those waves!*

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**Ashley Collier** - April 08, 2016 at 04:29 PM



“ *We had some great times together and have many precious memories of our times together with you and Mary! We love you, Cousin, and will miss you!*

*Des and Joan*

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**Joan Walker** - April 07, 2016 at 08:42 PM



“ *Herndon was a lovely person. I'm glad that he had a long, interesting, wonderful life.*

*Rebecca Redmiles-McCaffrey*

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**Rebecca Redmiles-McCaffrey** - April 07, 2016 at 12:56 PM