



James E. Downes

February 19, 1945 - December 21, 2015

James Ernest Downes, Sr. passed away on Monday, December 21, 2015. He was 70 years old.

Born in Chestertown, MD, on February 19, 1945, he was the son of the late Robert L. Hastings and Edna Ruth Downes and stepfather, Raywood R. Lister of Ingleside, MD.

Before retiring, he was employed as a truck driver, driving for Brambles, Mid-Shore Paving, and Bob Bowman's Gas and Tri-Gas & Oil. He loved to go fishing, crabbing, deer hunting, and watching old time westerns on tv.

He is survived by his wife of 26 years, Frances Rishel Downes; his son, James (Julie) Downes, Jr.; daughter, Mary Downes; brother, Larry Lister; sisters; Eleanor Lister, Barbara Morris; stepdaughters, Teresa Steenken, Sandra (Jeff) Radcliffe, Deborah (Mike) Steenken; stepson, Alvin (Tammy) Whitby; 19 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; and several aunts and uncles. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Raywood R. "Rex" Lister, Jr.; a daughter, Edna M. Ryan; grandsons, Brandon L. Ryan, Walter T. Radcliffe, Richard M. Whitby, and great-grandson, Daniel M.J. Franklin.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, at 11:00 a.m.

at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 200 S. Harrison St. in Easton, where friends and family may call one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in Landing Neck Cemetery near Easton.

Contributions may be made to the family to help offset funeral expenses.

Cemetery Details

Landing Neck Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Easton Location
200 S Harrison St
Easton, MD 21601
(410) 822-3131
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *James E. Downes*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James E. Downes*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Charles Downes lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



Charles Downes - December 23, 2015 at 09:18 AM



“ *Jim And Julie Downes lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



jim and julie downes - December 23, 2015 at 08:39 AM

BO

“ *Brenda Downes ONeal lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



Brenda Downes ONeal - December 23, 2015 at 05:12 AM

JM

“ *Joyce Downes Mann lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



Joyce Downes Mann - December 23, 2015 at 03:31 AM

CG

“ *Cheryl Gaertner lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



Cheryl Gaertner - December 22, 2015 at 08:23 PM

PE

“ *Peggy And Larry Eyster lit a candle in memory of James E. Downes*



Peggy and Larry Eyster - December 22, 2015 at 01:14 PM

SB

Although we had lost touch through the years I remember him well. He will be missed by family and friends. RIP jimmy.

Shirley Taylor burnham - December 22, 2015 at 06:10 PM