



## James Elmer Thompson Jr.

September 24, 1925 - September 9, 2021

On September 9, 2021, James Elmer Thompson, Jr. (Elmer T) passed away of natural causes at the age of 95. He was born on September 24, 1925, in Queenstown, MD

He was predeceased by his wife, Anna Murray Thompson (Roonie) on September 28, 2019, and his son, Kevin Barton Thompson on April 8, 1961.

He is survived by his sons Murray (Marcey), Jeff (Barb), Ben (Dee) and Scott (Jaimi) Thompson; grandchildren, Robbie (Christie), Katelyn (Tyler), Jake (Jody), Kevin and Mary Thompson; and great-grandchildren, Beckett, Emerson, Charlie and Caleb Thompson.

Like most of the greatest generation, Elmer enlisted in the Navy in 1943. After the war, he obtained his Bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland and his law degree from George Washington University School of Law while working for the U.S. Treasury. After graduating from law school, he became a Special Agent for the FBI and was instrumental in apprehending the second person named on the FBI's first Top 10 Most Wanted List.

On June 7, 1948, he married the love of his life (since age 13) Roonie. They were happily married for 71 years until Roonie's passing. They moved to Centreville in 1951 where he opened a law practice which operates to this day

through his son, Jeff. In addition to maintaining an office for the general practice of law, he was elected Queen Anne's County States Attorney early in his career and later served as counsel to the Queen Anne's County Commissioners for many years. Elmer was active in the American Legion, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army, and Kent Island Yacht Club, and was actively engaged in numerous community activities. Like his father, an avid Eastern Shore outdoorsman, Elmer was always ready to go fly-fishing for trout and salmon at their cottage in Maine or hunting on the farm with his best friend, Bill Young, always nearby. Elmer and Roonie loved travel and adventure. They learned to cross country ski at age 50 and downhill ski at age 60. When not on the slopes, they spent many hours in the gym until well into their 80s. He (they) had a great, healthy, long life and will be sorely missed, but he is once again with the love of his life.

A funeral service will be held at Old Wye Parish in Wye Mills, MD, on Friday September 24, 2021, at 11AM with interment in the church cemetery following.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to Queen Anne's YMCA Capital Campaign, 123 Courseval Drive, Centreville, Maryland 21617.

# Cemetery Details

## Old Wye Parish Cemetery

14114 Old Wye Mills Road  
Wye Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

Old Wye Parish  
14114 Old Wye Mills Road  
Wye Mills, MD

## Burial

SEP 24 (ET)

Old Wye Parish Cemetery  
14114 Old Wye Mills Road  
Wye Mills, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Elmer Thompson Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Elmer Thompson Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Elmer Thompson Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Wow, there are not enough words to express how Elmer impacted those who had the pleasure of knowing him. He made you feel like an old friend the first time you met him. A true compassionate gentleman.*

*Great hunting memories and New Years day celebration at the farm. Our sincere condolences to the family and friends.*

*Carl and Linda Titcomb*

**Carl G Titcomb** - October 03, 2021 at 09:41 AM

DW

“ Jeff, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May wonderful memories be with you to help you through your time of loss. My condolences to your family.



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**Dawn Willey** - September 24, 2021 at 06:08 AM

RM

“ Jeff, Scott, Ben and Murray I had the pleasure of knowing your dad and hunting with him at the farm since 1979. He was a great man and taught me a lot. Our prayers go out to you and the rest of your families. He will be truly missed.

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**Richard McCullough** - September 19, 2021 at 08:35 AM

PE

“ Elmer T was a gentle man and a gentleman. So many memories you all have over the years. Prayers and peace to all of you!  
Fred & Pam

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**Pam Edwards** - September 18, 2021 at 10:11 PM

DS

“ Debbie Scott lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



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**Debbie Scott** - September 17, 2021 at 11:34 PM

CB

“ We send our thoughts and prayers. Chris and Carol Brownawell and family



Carol Brownawell - September 17, 2021 at 11:14 PM

DG

“ My condolences to the family. May your memories help you thru your grief and heal your heart.



Doris Greiner - September 17, 2021 at 11:00 AM

SJ

“ Mr. Elmer was a wonderful man and I will miss him. Sincere sympathy to his family.



Suzanne Jackson - September 15, 2021 at 11:26 AM

NB

“ Nancy Boone lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



Nancy Boone - September 15, 2021 at 10:50 AM

PF

“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Phil Foster** - September 15, 2021 at 01:38 AM

RW

“ *We have many good memories of Mr. Elmer when we would stop by the office. He always had the best stories!*



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**Ralph and April Whaley** - September 14, 2021 at 06:14 PM

DT

“ *David & Geri Thompson lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**David & Geri Thompson** - September 14, 2021 at 03:44 PM

BD

“ *Our prayers go out to you all. I always enjoyed the days that Dad and I would be on the farm building pits for hunting and all the great things I had been taught by your Dad. Miss the good times. BUTCH and Bev Dadds.*

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**Butch and Bev Dadds** - September 14, 2021 at 02:44 PM

JS

“ Have missed Elmer and Rooney in church the past few years.  
Loved them both. Jarrett and Frankie Smith

Jarrett and Frankie Smith - September 14, 2021 at 01:46 PM

JY

“ Jeff, Scott, Ben & Murray: our heartfelt thoughts are with you in the  
loss of your Dad. He was a very special friend to us and he will be  
truly missed.

Bill & Jane Young

Jane & Bill Young - September 14, 2021 at 10:42 AM

KL

“ Murray, Jeff, Ben and Scott and your families, sending sincere  
sympathy in the loss of your Dad.

Kathy Lantz - September 14, 2021 at 09:46 AM

JP

“ John And Phyllis Perkins lit a candle in  
memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



John and Phyllis Perkins - September 14, 2021 at 09:19 AM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



Doug Pierson - September 14, 2021 at 08:04 AM

BH

“ *Brenda Hahn lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



Brenda Hahn - September 13, 2021 at 10:34 PM

BN

“ *Bob And Genevieve Norris lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



Bob and Genevieve Norris - September 13, 2021 at 07:59 PM

EC

“ *Elizabeth Churn lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



Elizabeth Churn - September 13, 2021 at 10:16 AM

BO

“ *Bernie And Pat Oursler lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Bernie and Pat Oursler** - September 12, 2021 at 03:55 PM

BO

*To the family: What wonderful memories we have of Elmer T. and Rooney with parties, weddings, Ice Hockey games and visits. We are thinking of you in our prayers and thoughts. The great times will always be remembered. Bernie and Pat Oursler, Westminster, Md.*

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**Bernie and Pat Oursler** - September 12, 2021 at 03:57 PM

FP

“ *Frank And Tish Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Frank and Tish Palmatary** - September 12, 2021 at 03:55 PM

CW

“ *Centreville Methodist Women sent a virtual gift in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Centreville Methodist Women** - September 12, 2021 at 09:41 AM

JE

“ Jim And Mary Ann Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - September 12, 2021 at 09:40 AM

DD

“ Doris Donovan lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



Doris Donovan - September 12, 2021 at 08:00 AM

DD

*My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Doris Donovan - September 12, 2021 at 08:02 AM

JC

“ June Clark lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.



June Clark - September 11, 2021 at 09:35 PM

JC

*To the Thompson Family, I am truly sorry to hear of Elmer T passing, remembering him, Growing up In Queenstown. He will be truly missed by many .a landmark in the community.*

June Clark - September 11, 2021 at 09:40 PM

GP

“ *Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - September 11, 2021 at 07:33 PM

GP

*To the family: What great memories we have with Elmer T. and Roonie...Colt football games, Ocean City, trips to our friends on the Western Shore, weddings, parties and many more good times. Our prayers and blessings are with all of you. Thinking of you at this time. God bless and God is with you. Gene and Lynda*

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**Gene and Lynda Palmatary** - September 11, 2021 at 07:59 PM

KC

“ *Thoughts and prayers with the family*



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**Kay Councill** - September 11, 2021 at 07:13 PM

JM

“ *Joe Mullikin lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Joe Mullikin** - September 11, 2021 at 05:28 PM

JG

“ *Joan Gray lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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**Joan Gray** - September 11, 2021 at 04:06 PM

JP

“ *JoAnn & Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of James Elmer Thompson Jr.*



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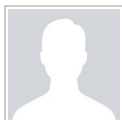
**JoAnn & Royden Powell** - September 11, 2021 at 01:57 PM

JS

“ *Jeff, thinking of you and all members of your family. Many memories of your Dad with an estate.*

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**Jane Sparks** - September 11, 2021 at 10:39 AM



*Sorry to hear this. I always enjoyed talking to Elmer when in his company. Condolences to all the family.*

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**Sara Jane Davidson** - September 11, 2021 at 04:15 PM