



## Joseph Thomas Brice

January 11, 1924 - June 20, 2016

Joseph Thomas Brice, 92, of Chestertown, MD, passed away on June 20, 2016, at the Chester River Hospital Center. Born January 11, 1924, in Frederick, MD, he was the son of the late Harry T. and Amanda (Thomas) Brice. Joe graduated from Rock Hall High School. He served actively during WWII in the U.S. Army in the European campaign in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany from 1943 to 1945, when he was honorably discharged.

On November 26, 1949, he married the late Ruth W. Whiteoak of Chesapeake City, MD. They were married for 52 years until her passing in 2002. Joe was a compassionate caretaker for Ruth during her last years.

Mr. Brice worked for the state highway administration as a roads engineer for 30 years after which he became the Queen Anne's County Roads Engineer for 11 more years before retiring in 1986.

Joe was a loving husband and the most adoring, devoted, doting father. Nothing was more important in life to him than his family. His children have wonderful memories of the time he spent with them every single day. (Even after a hard day at work he would play pitch and catch with Glenn and give Cindy "horsey" rides as she tucked toilet paper in his belt for a tail.)

Joe lived an active life of hunting, fishing, crabbing, gardening and traveling to the western U.S. and to Alaska (where he happily took his family to fish, sightsee, fly over glaciers and Denali, and stroll among grizzly bears, and where he personally reeled in numerous halibut and salmon. He always looked forward to his Tuesday night poker club gathering with a close group of friends. He also loved meeting with a special group of friends for coffee and lively discussions once or twice a week. Joe had an especially close relationship with his neighbors. All of his good friends and neighbors played an important role throughout his life and provided great support for him as his health declined.

Joe was a life member of the Frank M. Jarmin American Legion Post 36, and spent many years serving the community through his position there.

Joe is survived by his two children, Alan Glenn Brice and wife Pat of La Crosse, WI; and Cynthia Brice Hamby and husband Jerry, of Columbia, SC; two brothers, Charles Brice of Rock Hall, MD, and Wade Brice of Green, NY; and four sisters, Betty Robinson of Harahan, LA, Peggy Wheatley of Chestertown, MD, Lavinia Slagle of Chestertown, MD, and Barbara Collins of Holly Springs, NC. Joe is also survived by four step-grandchildren, eight step-great grandchildren, and two step great-great-grandchildren.

Joe was predeceased by brothers, Tylden, Richard, and John, and by a sister, Nina.

The family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the staffs of the Chester River Hospital Center and the Chester River Manor Rehabilitation Center for the love and care that they gave Joe throughout his time with them. Their personal attention was outstanding.

A celebration of his life will be held in the Dogwood Reception Center at

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Rd, Chestertown, MD, on Thursday July 28, from 4:00-6:00pm.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the American Cancer Society or the American Lung Association.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Previous Events

## Gathering

JUL **28**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Chestertown Location  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
(410) 778-0055  
[info@fhnfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fhnfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - July 25, 2016 at 09:29 AM



“ *Joseph Thomas Brice*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Joseph Thomas Brice*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Joseph Thomas Brice*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



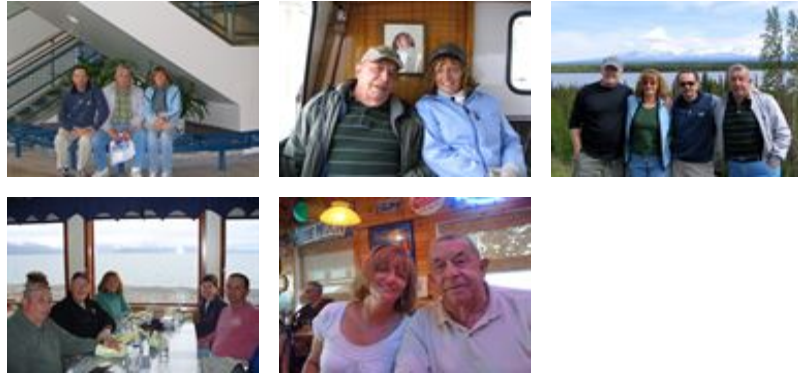
“ *The Tuesday Night Card Players purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Joseph Thomas Brice.*



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**The Tuesday Night Card Players** - July 25, 2016 at 01:25 PM



“ 184 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - July 22, 2016 at 10:10 AM



“ *Mr. Joe was a wonderful neighbor and such a good person. We are grateful to have known him and thankful for all of his kindness to us and my family.*



*Jennifer and Marty Holden*

**Jennifer Holden** - June 23, 2016 at 03:17 PM



*We will surely will miss Mr. Joe.*

**Joyce Nicholson** - June 23, 2016 at 11:03 PM



“ *Joyce Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice*



**Joyce Nicholson** - June 23, 2016 at 01:02 AM

JN

*Dear Cindy, Glenn & Family,  
So sorry to hear that your Dad (Mr Joe) has passed. I will always remember his smile and the times we all shared together. My Mom & Dad and all of us so Loved your Mom & Dad. They were wonderful friends and neighbors. I so loved that Mr Joe always shared his garden with us as well. He was the Best.  
Thinking of you at this sad time, and always.  
Love, Joyce*

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**Joyce M Nicholson** - June 23, 2016 at 01:14 AM

JE

*“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Brice's passing away. He was such a sweet man! My heart goes out to his family and children. I know you will miss him as I will. You took great care of him! Hang in there. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*



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**Josie Elburn** - June 22, 2016 at 07:38 PM

BB

*I am Brian Xavier Baldwin, i am one of joseph brice's great grandkids. i treasured the only two visits i had they are going to be my only memories of him. everyone's words mean a lot to me, thank you.*

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**brian baldwin** - May 22, 2017 at 08:30 AM

KR

*“ Kara Rurup sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice*



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**Kara Rurup** - June 22, 2016 at 07:06 PM

NT

“ Nancy Toy lit a candle in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice



Nancy Toy - June 22, 2016 at 04:41 PM

GP

“ Gene & Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice



Gene & Lynda Palmatary - June 22, 2016 at 10:10 AM

GP

*To the Brice Family: You all have lost a wonderful dad. I worked with Mr. Joe while he was with the Queen Anne's County Roads Department and I worked for the County Commissioners. I had many good times with him and Ms. Ruth. He loved his family and surely left a legacy that you all will have in your hearts forever. My many prayers and blessings are with you at this time. God Bless each one of you and RIP Mr. Joe. You will never be forgotten. Lynda H. Palmatary, Centreville.*

Gene Palmatary - June 22, 2016 at 10:13 AM

BF

*Condolences to each of you. Your Dad was such a kind, loving, funny person. Cling to all the wonderful memories---may they bring you comfort in the difficult times. Bev (Myers) & Doug Foreman*

BEVERLY FOREMAN - June 24, 2016 at 09:58 AM

GS

“ Greg & Laura Saddler lit a candle in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice



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**Greg & Laura Saddler** - June 22, 2016 at 10:07 AM

JP

“ JoAnn & Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice



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**JoAnn & Royden Powell** - June 22, 2016 at 09:30 AM

TJ

“ Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Joseph Thomas Brice



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**Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell** - June 21, 2016 at 03:36 PM