



Joseph Funk

February 19, 2006

Joseph Edward Funk of Earleville died Sunday, Feb. 19, 2006, in his home. He was 81.

He was born March 3, 1924, in Pennsylvania, son of the late Joseph Rhinehart and Hannah Elizabeth (MacLeod) Funk.

Mr. Funk served his country in the U.S. Navy from 1943-1946, where he was awarded the Pacific Theatre Ribbon, the American Theatre Ribbon and the Victory Medal.

He then went to work as a service foreman for Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania and retired in 1983 after 38 years of service with the company. He was one of the earliest trained service technicians for teletype equipment, a precursor to computerization. His last 15 years with the company he worked in the training department teaching others to install and service specialized equipment.

In his retirement, Mr. Funk enjoyed daily trips to Twinney's Restaurant in Galena as well as boating on the Sassafras River.

He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America as well as the Communication Workers of America.

Mr. Funk was a very charming, quick-witted man who enjoyed life.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 32 years, Dorothy Marion (Middleton) Funk, in 2001.

He is survived by a daughter, Jean F. Austin of Rock Hall; a son, Joseph E. Funk Jr. of Wilmington, Del.; three stepsons, James Maris Dixon of Lancaster, Pa., Gerald Edward Dixon and Jeffrey William Dixon, both of Hockessin, Del.; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and his devoted care giver, Kim Jourdan.

Services will be 11 a.m. Friday in Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 226 E. Main St., Cecilton, where friends may call one hour earlier.

Burial will be in Zion Cemetery, Cecilton.

Flowers and memorial contributions may be sent to Season's Hospice, 229 E. Main St., Elkton, MD 21921.

Tribute Wall



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