



Leonard Harry Rieck

November 27, 1917 - August 2, 2020

Leonard Harry Rieck, of Easton, MD, passed peacefully at his home with his devoted caregivers, Karen Spies and niece, Melissa Rieck Phillips by his side on August 2, 2020. He was 102 years old.

Born in Preston, November 27, 1917, he was the son of the late Emil William and Emma Gadow Rieck. After attending Preston High School, he worked on the family poultry farm until 1938 at which time he moved to Easton where he worked for Elliott Trucking Co as a mechanic. From 1945 until 1963, he was associated with Watkins Auto Supply Co. in Easton as the head machinist. In 1963, he purchased an interest in Crockett Brothers Boatyard in Oxford where he worked as Vice President, partner, and General Manager until its sale in the late 60's. He remained with the boatyard for a brief time after its sale before becoming an employee of the Easton Firestone Store where he worked in sales and, later, in service specializing in refrigeration and repair of major appliances. In 1982, he formed his own refrigeration servicing business in which he remained until retiring in 1994.

In March of 1943, he joined the Easton Volunteer Fire company. In his years of service, he served as Chief Engineer, Assistant Chief Engineer, Trustee, member of the Building Committee in 1961, a Delegate to the MD State Fireman's Association, and Delegate to the Delmarva Fireman's Association. He also served on various other committees. At the time of his death, he was

a Life Engineer and Life Member with 77 years of service.

In appreciation of his long-time fire company service, he was inducted in the DelMarVa Firefighters Hall of Fame in May of 2006. Additionally, he was inducted into Talbot County Hall of Fame in December of 2010, and the MD State Fireman's Association in June of 2013. In 2014, the Easton Aerial Tower was dedicated in his honor for his past years of Service for Others. In November of 2017, in honor of his 100th birthday, Aurora Park Drive was officially renamed Leonard Rieck Drive.

A Life Member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Preston, he was also a Life Member of the Easton Elks Lodge # 1622. A past member of the Miles River Yacht Club and the Kent Island Yacht Club, he enjoyed boating, fishing, gardening, and eating crabs.

His first wife, the former Evelyn Harris, whom he married in March of 1955, died in April 1997.

His second wife, Doris Grunden Dobson, whom he married in February 2003, predeceased him on May 1, 2018. They had the pleasure of 16 years of unconditional love and devotion.

He was predeceased by a sister ,Emmalene Jester, and three brothers, Alvin, Paul, and Robert E. Rieck.

Mr. Rieck is survived by a stepdaughter, Nancy Wood of Easton, MD; several nieces and nephews; his loving friends; neighbors; and caregivers, especially Abby Ireland.

Funeral services will be held at the Easton Volunteer Fire House, 315 Leonard Rieck Drive, in Easton, on Saturday August 8, 2020 at 11 AM. Friends may

call at the firehouse one-hour prior from 10-11 AM prior. The burial, with fire company honors, will be at Woodlawn Memorial Park in Easton.

Memorial donations may be made to the Easton Volunteer Fire Dept., 315 Leonard Rieck Drive, Easton, MD 21601, Attn: Restoration and Maintenance of "The Old Mom" a 1919 American LaFrance Pumper.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park

11365 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Easton Volunteer Fire Company
315 Leonard Rieck Drive
Easton, MD 21601

Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leonard Harry Rieck*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - August 12, 2020 at 12:26 PM



“ *Leonard Harry Rieck*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Leonard Harry Rieck*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Leonard Harry Rieck*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Thank you for your service ,R.I.P. sir,We got it from here.Prayers to all his family and friends.He will be missed by many.*



Ronald G Whittington - August 06, 2020 at 04:56 AM

TH

“ I had the honor of caring for
Mr Leonard he was just the sweetest person.
He will be missed
By many.... RIP Mr Leonard



Teresa Horn - August 05, 2020 at 03:43 PM

CP

“ Carol Prettyman lit a candle in memory of
Leonard Harry Rieck



Carol Prettyman - August 05, 2020 at 09:59 AM

AB

“ Ann Butler lit a candle in memory of Leonard
Harry Rieck



ann butler - August 05, 2020 at 09:20 AM

RS

“ Rochell Marie Smith lit a candle in memory of
Leonard Harry Rieck



Rochell Marie Smith - August 04, 2020 at 06:59 PM

RS

Sleep in peace with the angels Mr Leonard you will be missed.

Rochell Marie Smith - August 04, 2020 at 07:03 PM

BW

Mr. Rieck was a caring, community oriented individual! We need more like him!

A Heavenly Angel he will be!

Bonnie Gadow Wooters

Bonnie Wooters - August 05, 2020 at 07:17 AM