



Melvin Franklin Edwards

February 21, 1931 - February 18, 2010

Melvin Franklin Edwards of Stevensville, MD passed away on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at the Hospice of Queen Anne's in Centreville. He would have turned 79 on Sunday.

He was the first of three sons born to Stewart "Bud" Edwards, and Elizabeth Ford Edwards in Rock Hall, MD on February 21, 1931 where his father was a wholesale seafood dealer and waterman and his mother was a teacher. His teen years were spent mostly as a mate on a charter boat, working in the family business, and school. He graduated from Rock Hall High School in 1948 and immediately enlisted in the Navy where he served with honor aboard two different destroyers, Haynsworth and Sumner achieving the rate of Radarman 2/c. He was proud of his service record, having served in the occupation forces in the Mediterranean area where he visited every country bordering the sea and in the Korean conflict for a brief period.

Mr. Edwards raised his family on Kent Island and worked as the manager of Castle Marina, later at Island Yacht Brokers as a salesman and during his retirement years at the Kent Island Mobile station.

He enjoyed woodworking, boating, crossword puzzles and sharing a multitude of humorous emails with his friends and family. He was Past Master Mason and member of the Centreville Masonic Lodge No. 180, a member of the

American Legion Post #296, the Moose Lodge, and past Treasurer of the Kent Island Yacht Club.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his loving wife, Mildred Fuld Edwards; two daughters and their husbands, Valerie Williams (Scott) of Finksburg, MD and Joann Willis (Tom) of Easton, MD; four grandchildren, Joseph Willis and David Willis, both of Easton, Bonnie Wright of Bear, DE, and Laura Wood of Preston, MD; five great-grandchildren, Kaylen Wright and Addison Willis, Delanie Anderson, Karlie Roberts and Austin Roberts and his beloved cat, Meloni. He has enjoyed a special relationship with his niece, Candy Edwards-Roach and her daughter, Brynne over the years and with his dear friend and brother-in-law, Paul Fuld of Kent Island.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by two brothers, Stuart "Glyn" Edwards of Rock Hall and Nantucket and Pete "Leo" Edwards of Rock Hall.

A visitation and service will be held on Sunday, February 21, 2010 from 6 to 8pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are appreciated to Hospice of Queen Anne's, Inc., 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 1. 12:00 AM.

Graveside

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melvin Franklin Edwards* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Melvin Franklin Edwards* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Melvin Franklin Edwards* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Melvin Franklin Edwards* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ It is with great sorry to hear of Melvin's (Sonny) passing. I'm sure he will be missed by all his family. Lynn and I will keep the family in our prayers.

Melvin's great grandmother was Anna Elizabeth Sappington which was the sister to my great-grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Sappington##imported-begin##Glenn F. Sappington##imported-end##

March 01, 2010 at 09:43 AM



“ Dear Valerie and Family, Who would of thought as friends in High School that we would share the same bond as losing our Dad's within days of each other? You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May the wonderful memories of your Dad bring you comfort and substain you in the days ahead. Take care,
Wanda##imported-begin##Wanda M. Harmon##imported-end##

February 20, 2010 at 08:15 AM



“ My heartfelt sympathy, thoughts and prayers go out to you. May you cherish the wonderful memories and find peace in the care you showed your husband and father during his illness. His love for you all will always be with you. May you be strengthened in knowing he is at peace now.##imported-begin##Colleen O'Brien Thomas##imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 03:29 PM



“ He will be fondly remembered. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##The Water's Edge##imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 10:02 AM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. We send many warm hugs your way. I know that your father is at peace and is smiling from above.*

Julie and family##imported-begin##Julie Lillycrop##imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 09:17 AM