



Orville Woodrow Rollins

December 4, 1923 - April 28, 2011

Orville Woodrow Rollins, age 87, a long time resident of Queenstown Maryland, died on April 28, 2011 at the Gardens of William Hill. He was born December 4, 1923, son of Dewey B and Flossie B Rollins, in Clendenin, WV. His marriage to Mary Ellen Diehl ended in divorce. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Ellen Lee Rollins, his daughter Kelby Brandow, and two stepdaughters, Leslie Spring and Cara Clifford, and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his sister, Maxine Harrison and her husband Frederick, of Salem, VA, and brother James Rollins of Clendenin, WV.

Dr. Rollins began his academic studies at Alderson Broaddus College before enlisting as an Aviation Cadet in the US Army Air Forces. He earned the aeronautical rating of Navigator and was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in 1945. He completed the prescribed course for Bombardiers, and then completed radar school a few days after VJ Day. Released from active duty in 1946, he remained in the Reserves and held the rank of Major, US Air Force Reserve. After his military duty, he continued his studies in chemistry at West Virginia University, Penn State, University of Pennsylvania, and attained his PhD from Georgetown University in 1957. He taught chemistry at Moravian College and retired Professor Emeritus in 1986 after thirty five years at the US Naval Academy. After retirement Dr. Rollins pursued his passions for gardening, fishing, hunting and wine-making.

Interment private. Donations can be made to the charity of your choice

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Orville Woodrow Rollins

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Dear Mrs Rollins & Family... We are so sorry for your loss! Ronnie and I truly Loved, Dr. Rollins... A wonderful person to know... The most giving, caring, genuine soul, you will ever meet!!! We will miss him very much!! May God wrap His arms around you, comfort and bless you, at this diffilcult time!!! All Our Love, Ronnie & Rhonda Jewell###imported-begin###Rhonda Jewell###imported-end##

May 04, 2011 at 06:32 PM



“ I will truly miss him. My prayers are with you daily. Love, Debbie Rowe###imported-begin###Debbie Rowe###imported-end##

May 03, 2011 at 10:39 PM