



Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding

December 26, 1933 - July 15, 2015

Vernon "Bud" Joseph Harding of Kennedyville, MD, died on Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at Seasons Hospice at Christiana Hospital. He was 81.

Born on December 26, 1933, in Baltimore, MD, he was the son of the late Leo Vernon and Ella Romaine Rigney Harding. Mr. Harding graduated from Baltimore Poly Technic Institute in 1954. He married Barbara Lee Dickerson on January 19, 1957. He worked at Arcadia Manufacturing as well as several other jobs earlier in life. In 1963, he and his family moved to the Eastern Shore, where he worked with Buck Dickerson Painting and many other jobs. In 1979, he worked as a caretaker at Broad Reach in Quaker Neck and retired in 2009. On July 3, 1982, he married Joan Elizabeth McHenry.

Mr. Harding was a member of the Kennedyville United Methodist Church, holding the office of trustee and where he was an usher for many years. He was also a charter member of the Chestertown Elks Lodge #2474 as well as the Bay Country Moose Lodge in Grasonville. He coached women's and girls' softball and also coached Church League Basketball. He enjoyed working on the water – fishing, oystering, crabbing, and hunting guide.

His model train garden and goldfish pond were his greatest loves which brought joy to his family and the many that came to view them. Mr. Harding

introduced his family to the Outer Banks of North Carolina and its many attractions, where some of the family continue to vacation.

In addition to his wife, Joan Harding, he is survived by two daughters, Cindy King and her husband Rick, and Donna Simmons and her husband Andy; two stepchildren, Danny McHenry and his wife Mary, and Julie DelCiotto and her husband Joe; a sister, Barbara Kaiser and her husband Bill; eight grandchildren Nathan Simmons, Danielle Simmons, Jared Legg, Cory Legg and wife Amanda, Ryan Legg, Megan McHenry Smith and husband Holden, Mallory McHenry and Cassi DelCiotto; several great grandchildren; and a nephew, Tommy Kaiser and wife Cindy and their son Jacob.

He was predeceased by a stepdaughter, Kem Legg in 2006.

A visitation will be held on Friday, July 17, 2015, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, Chestertown, MD, where an Elks Ceremony will be held at 8:00 p.m. Services will be held on Saturday, July 18, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at Kennedyville United Methodist Church. Interment will be in Galena Cemetery, following the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the Memorial Building Fund at Kennedyville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 32, Kennedyville, MD 21645.

Cemetery Details

Galena Cemetery

Galena, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

JUL 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

Kennedyville United Methodist Church
Kennedyville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Tommy & Pam Marvel lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Tommy & Pam Marvel - July 19, 2015 at 08:09 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Bud's passing. Diana S Williams*



Diana S Williams - July 19, 2015 at 03:28 PM

CB

“ Cathie Blakeney lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding



Cathie Blakeney - July 17, 2015 at 12:51 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding.



July 17, 2015 at 11:09 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding.



July 17, 2015 at 10:30 AM

JD

“ Joan Keen And Donna lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding



Joan Keen and Donna - July 17, 2015 at 03:18 AM

RW

“ Roger & Shirley Williams lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding



Roger & Shirley Williams - July 16, 2015 at 06:43 PM

CS

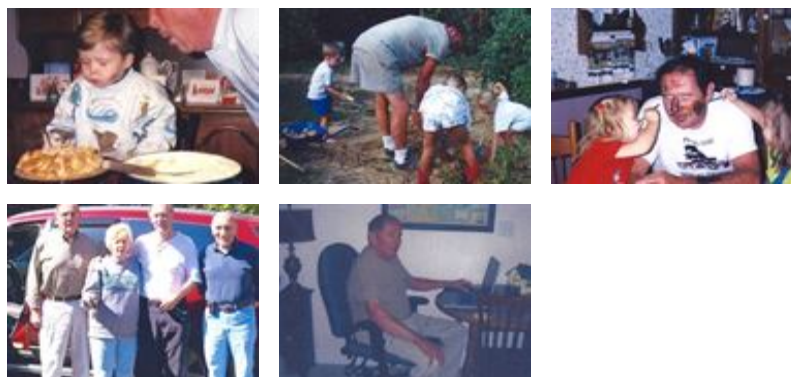
“ Calvin And Cheryl Smith lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding



Calvin and Cheryl Smith - July 16, 2015 at 05:40 PM



“ 129 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 16, 2015 at 03:33 PM

BF

“ *Brenda, Sharon, Muffy and families purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding.*



Brenda, Sharon, Muffy and families - July 16, 2015 at 03:31 PM

MR

“ *Max & Maryann Ruehrmund lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Max & Maryann Ruehrmund - July 16, 2015 at 01:20 PM

JB

“ *It was a privilege to have known Bud, a man who was generous, kind and always smiling. Our sincere sympathy to Joan and family.*



Jeff & Nancy Bartels

Jeffrey Bartels - July 16, 2015 at 10:59 AM

DW

“ *Debbie Wiest lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



debbie wiest - July 16, 2015 at 10:35 AM

BB

“ I remember Bud as always smiling and being such a nice man. He will be missed by many. Thinking of his family, Beverly and Tink Blakeney

Beverly Blakeney - July 16, 2015 at 08:07 AM

JD

“ Joan and Family--Our deepest sympathy to all.



Jane and Franklin Dill - July 16, 2015 at 07:55 AM

PS

“ Dear Joan and family - We are so sorry to learn of Bud's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
with love,
Lawson and Pat



Pat Smith - July 16, 2015 at 07:47 AM

CM

“ Chris Martin lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding



Chris Martin - July 16, 2015 at 07:42 AM

DJ

“ *DONNA JAMAR lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



DONNA JAMAR - July 16, 2015 at 05:57 AM

JL

“ *John M Larrimore lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



John M Larrimore - July 15, 2015 at 09:38 PM

CM

“ *Calvin & Joyce McHenry lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Calvin & Joyce McHenry - July 15, 2015 at 08:59 PM

BS

“ *Bill & Stephanie Spencer lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Bill & Stephanie Spencer - July 15, 2015 at 08:39 PM

JE

“*Josie Elburn lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Josie Elburn - July 15, 2015 at 08:31 PM

BJ

“*Barbara And Bill Joyce lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Barbara and Bill Joyce - July 15, 2015 at 08:26 PM

JC

“*Joey And Betsy Clayton lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



joey and betsy clayton - July 15, 2015 at 07:47 PM

EP

“*Elmer And Lola Price lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Elmer and Lola Price - July 15, 2015 at 07:12 PM

DO

“ *Dennis And Doris Olsen lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Dennis and Doris Olsen - July 15, 2015 at 06:57 PM

TT

“ *Trish And Eddie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Trish and Eddie Taylor - July 15, 2015 at 06:51 PM

MH

“ *Mickey & Betsy Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Mickey & Betsy Hamilton - July 15, 2015 at 04:34 PM

TJ

“ *Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell - July 15, 2015 at 03:20 PM

PE

“ *Patti Eason lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Patti Eason - July 15, 2015 at 02:27 PM

JH

“ *Jeff And Donna Hollett lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Jeff and Donna Hollett - July 15, 2015 at 12:54 PM

SD

“ *Sheila Blyman Dlugoborski lit a candle in memory of Vernon Joseph "Bud" Harding*



Sheila Blyman Dlugoborski - July 15, 2015 at 11:50 AM