



Wilbur George Tedford

June 24, 1929 - February 7, 2018

Wilbur George Tedford of Chester, MD died Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis, MD. He was 88.

Wilbur was born on June 24, 1929 in New York to the late Dorothy (Anderson) Jacobson and James E. Tedford. He was raised by his mother and step-father, Edgar Jones, in Chester, MD.

Growing up in Dominion, he attended Dominion Methodist Sunday School as a boy, and attended primary school through the eighth grade. Wilbur began working on the water and on the ferry as a teenager and a young man. He was very handy and highly enjoyed making and repairing his own equipment. Wilbur enlisted and honorably served in the Air Force from 1951 to 1955 as an Airman First Class. During that time, he was stationed in Texas, North Carolina —where he met Elsie Mae Stephens and married her in 1953—, and Maine. Wilbur then completed a tour in Italy, fortunately able to take his wife and first child, Teresa, with him. After completing his service in the military, Wilbur moved his family to Baltimore, MD where he worked for Standard Oil Company for one year before returning to Kent Island to follow his passion—working the water.

Wilbur hand tonged and took a diver for oysters, clammed, and crabbed over the course of his career on the Chesapeake Bay. For the majority of his career he owned and captained “Miss Inez.” He passed on his love for the water to his son, David. He also greatly enjoyed working with electronics and went to TV repair school. He traveled to local people’s homes to fix their televisions as

an enjoyable way to supplement his income.

Later in life, Wilbur tended his mother's strawberry patch, took his grandchildren out crabbing, took care of his pet parakeet, and enjoyed being home. He was a talented and hardworking man who was devoted to his task of providing for his family.

Wilbur is survived by his daughter, Teresa Ellen Rainey (Frank) of Stevensville, MD; son, David Allen Tedford (Jo-Anne) of Chester, MD; eight grandchildren, Sarah Whitby, Jessica Rainey, Kimberly Hackett, Aaron Rainey, Joshua Rainey, Amy Waskey, Adam Tedford, and Abby Dallaire; and eight great grandchildren; a brother, Stanley Jones (Frances) of Chester, MD. In addition to his parents, Wilbur is preceded in death by his loving wife, Elsie Mae Tedford and sister, Helen Boyd.

A visitation will be held on Monday February 12, 2018 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Fellows, Helfenbien & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD. A service will be on Tuesday February 13, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the First Baptist Church in Stevensville, MD. Burial will be in Stevensville Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at www.fhnfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street
Stevensville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

FEB 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Kent Island
State Street
Stevensville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wilbur George Tedford* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 12, 2018 at 09:58 AM



“ *Wilbur George Tedford* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Wilbur George Tedford* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Wilbur George Tedford* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

KC

“ I'm very sorry to read this, but I know that Pop Pop (Weldon Jones) was there to greet him. I cannot believe they passed within weeks of each other. I hope they are as happy in heaven as they were in this picture. May Mr. Tedford's entire family find peace in the cherished memories you have of him.



Kathy Clark - February 12, 2018 at 11:25 AM

HB

“ David and Teresa, we were saddened to hear of Wilbur's passing and we pray that God will send the Comforter to ease your sorrow at this time.

Harry and Dornetta Baker - February 11, 2018 at 08:09 PM

EB

“ David and Teresa, very sorry to hear of your father's passing. I remember all the times we were over to the house in Harbor View playing pool and your dad would come in and show us how to "run the table". I remember when he would tie off your boat to his when you (David, Pat V. and I) went tonging he'd tow us in to the buyer dock. He was a great and kind man and had love for family and I was fortunate enough to know him. May God bless you and your families.

Eddie and Linda Baker - February 11, 2018 at 07:29 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wilbur George Tedford.*



February 11, 2018 at 07:30 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wilbur George Tedford.*



February 10, 2018 at 10:51 AM



“ *Tracy Schulz lit a candle in memory of Wilbur George Tedford*



Tracy Schulz - February 09, 2018 at 10:33 AM