



William Arthur Coleman

June 18, 1926 - November 9, 2012

William Arthur Coleman of Worton, MD, died on November 9, 2012, at Chester River Hospital Center in Chestertown, MD. He was 86.

He was born in Chestertown on June 18, 1926, the son of the late, William Arthur and Bernice Schauber Coleman. He was a graduate from Chestertown High School, Class of 1943, following graduation he worked as a farmer before enlisting in the U.S. Army. Mr. Coleman served two years as a chaplain's assistant stateside and was honorably discharged in 1948.

He returned to Kent County and married his high school sweetheart, Betty Ann VanSant in 1948. They resided in Chesterville where he farmed for the next ten years while raising their family. In 1958, he took a position with Washington College working on the buildings, maintenance, and grounds. He retired after 32 years with the College as Superintendent of Maintenance and Grounds in 1989.

Mr. Coleman was also a freelance photographer working for the Chester River Press and as a wedding photographer. He was also an accomplished decoy carver.

In 1957, he joined the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company and was an active member for the next 55 years serving in all offices except chaplain, he

served for multiple years as chief and was actively involved in over 8,000 alarms. He was also a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Mr. Coleman enjoyed auctions, carving, photography, but was most proud of his family, with whom he enjoyed spending much time.

In addition to his wife of 64 years, he is survived by his children, Albert William Coleman of Chestertown, MD, Bonnie Blyman (Jim) of Worton, MD, David Arthur Coleman (Susan) of Ocean City, MD, and Paul Fletcher Coleman (Patricia) of Mardela Springs, MD; two sisters, Marie Krug of Lutherville, MD, and Jean Salata of Wilmington, DE; along with a daughter in law, Shelly Coleman of Chestertown, MD, and close friend, John Michael Benjamin of Chestertown, MD. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Jessica, Rachel, Zebulon, William, and Joshua, and great-granddaughter, Clairra.

He was predeceased by a son, Dennis Coleman, and a brother, Jack Coleman.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2012, at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, High St., Chestertown, MD.

Interment will follow in Chester Cemetery. Relatives and friends are invited to a visitation at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road, in Chestertown on Wednesday evening from 4:00 -7:00 p.m. where a tribute by the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company will be held at 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company or Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

Chester Cemetery

Chestertown, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

celebration of life

NOV 14. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

NOV 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
508 High Street
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *William Arthur Coleman*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Arthur Coleman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Arthur Coleman*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Joyce M Nicholson lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Joyce M Nicholson - November 15, 2012 at 06:42 PM



“ *Justin Parsons lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Justin Parsons - November 15, 2012 at 04:21 AM

DW

“ Dale Willson lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



Dale Willson - November 14, 2012 at 01:33 PM

RS

“ Roger Steger, Sr. lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



Roger Steger, Sr. - November 12, 2012 at 07:55 PM

DB

“ David, Stefanie, Sam, Jacob Blyman lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



David, Stefanie, Sam, Jacob Blyman - November 11, 2012 at 08:44 PM

DA

“ David Antone lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



David Antone - November 11, 2012 at 07:36 PM

DA

You will be missed.

David Antone - November 11, 2012 at 07:37 PM

TB

“ We are thinking of you all. It was an honor to know such a man as Bill. He took the photos of our wedding in 1973. Tink severed with him in the fire co with respect
Take Care, Beverly and Tink

Tink and Beverly Blakeney - November 11, 2012 at 06:17 PM



“ Cindy King lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



Cindy King - November 11, 2012 at 08:18 AM

MM

“ Maryland Massey lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman



Maryland Massey - November 11, 2012 at 06:32 AM

MM

Bill took the pictures at our wedding in 1958 and I have had the pleasure of working with him and Betty Ann at the Coutry Craft Guild events over the years. His gentlemenly manners and talent will be missed by many.

Maryland Massey - November 11, 2012 at 06:35 AM

RV

“ *Ruthie Voshell-Russ lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Ruthie Voshell-Russ - November 11, 2012 at 06:25 AM

LB

“ *Larry & Lee Beck lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Larry & Lee Beck - November 10, 2012 at 07:58 PM

GH

“ *Gigi Blair Harker lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Gigi Blair Harker - November 10, 2012 at 06:17 PM

64

“ *64groundhog lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



64groundhog - November 10, 2012 at 01:17 PM

JT

*You are in our thoughts and prayers God bless you.
Jeff and Judy Thompson*

judy jeff thompson - November 10, 2012 at 01:36 PM

JB

“ *Jack & Anne Bigelow sent a virtual gift in
memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Jack & Anne Bigelow - November 10, 2012 at 11:16 AM

BH

“ *Betty Jean Henry lit a candle in memory of
William Arthur Coleman*



Betty Jean Henry - November 10, 2012 at 08:54 AM

KB

“ *Kathy Blyman lit a candle in memory of
William Arthur Coleman*



Kathy Blyman - November 10, 2012 at 06:20 AM



“ *Holly Short lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Holly Short - November 10, 2012 at 06:18 AM



“ *Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell - November 09, 2012 at 02:32 PM



“ *Sheila Dlugoborski lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Coleman*



Sheila Dlugoborski - November 09, 2012 at 01:49 PM