



William Vernon Griffith

October 20, 1931 - August 5, 2008

Chief Petty Officer William Vernon Griffith U.S. Navy ret. of Easton, MD passed away on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at Caroline Home for Hospice, Denton, MD. He was 76.

Born October 20, 1931 in Easton, he was the son of the late William J. and Clara Dawson Griffith. He was a 1948 graduate of St. Michaels High School. In 1950 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and spent the next 30 years on active and inactive duty, serving in both the Pacific and Atlantic theatres. He served two tours of duty at overseas locations, earning the Good Conduct Medal with 5 awards, the National Defense Medal with one award, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal.

Vernon loved to spend time with his wife Pat and family. He loved to read non-fiction books, watch TV and spend time with his friends at McDonalds.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Doris "Sandy" Griffith who died in 1990.

Mr. Griffith is survived by his wife, Patricia K. Griffith; four children, William Griffith, Jr., Thomas Griffith, Jean Stayton and her husband Doug, and J. Scott Griffith and his wife Tina; a sister, Sylvia Daubach and her husband Herb; twelve grandchildren, Matthew and Cody Stayton, and Thomas J., Kristopher,

Jennifer, Josh, Adam, Scott, Jr., Deborah, Dawn, Clara, and Jeremy Griffith; and five great-grandchildren. He is also survived by Leo Keene and his wife Jean, Michael Keene, Russell Keene and his wife Pat, and Andrew Keene, along with grandchildren, Joshua, Sean, Christopher, and Marty Keene, Pat's children and grandchildren, who he loved as his own. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Harold Griffith.

Burial will be private.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 16, 2008 at 11:00 AM at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., Easton, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Caroline Hospice Foundation, PO Box 362, Denton, MD 21629, Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwood Dr., Easton, MD 21601 or Memorial Hospital Foundation, Second Floor, PO Box 1846, Easton, MD 21601.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Vernon Griffith*

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“ *William Vernon Griffith*

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“ *William Vernon Griffith*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Miss Pat, Jean, and Matt*

So sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Vernon. I was telling Olivia what a lovely kind man he was. Our thoughts are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Sharon Burns and Olivia Schiera##imported-end##

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“ *We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our prayers.##imported-begin##Jim and Brenda Cole##imported-end##*

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“ *Pat, Bill, Tommy, Jeanie and Scott;
Our thought and our prayers are with you. We will miss Uncle Bill
very much. Our memories of him are filled with so much laughter
and fun.##imported-begin##Roger, Laura, Kristen and Allison
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“ *What a sweet dear man Vernon was. We have many special
memories of him. We are so sorry to all of the family for his loss.
Sincerely, Patty and Jim Bent##imported-begin##Jim and Patty
Bent##imported-end##*

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