



Ernest Chilton Lunsford Jr.

April 16, 1935 - August 14, 2022

Ernest Chilton Lunsford, Jr., age 87, passed away on Sunday, August 14, 2022, at his home in Colonial Beach, VA. He was born on April 16, 1935, in Fredericksburg, VA, the first of six children of the late Cathryn Virginia Hager and Ernest Chilton Lunsford, Sr.

A longtime resident of Manassas, VA, he worked for the phone company for over 40 years before retiring, and was an active member of the Manassas area Kiwanis until 1992 when his retirement took him to Colonial Beach, VA.

He was an avid landscaper, well known for transforming his lawn and flower gardens into a thing of beauty. He loved rock fishing on the Potomac River as well as spending time with his family. He also had a special love for his two Pomeranians, Lucy and Cedar.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by one brother, Tommy Lunsford and one sister, Connie Akers. He is survived by his children Denise (Dennis) Tiblis, Jeff (Shelly) Lunsford, Dell (Donald) Lunsford, and Alison (Deryl) Veith; grandchild, Ashley (Lauren) Lunsford; siblings, Bobby Lunsford, Kitti Byers, and Jane Steury; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will gather for a visitation on Thursday, August 25, 2022, from 10:00-11:00 AM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center St., Manassas, VA

20110. Funeral services will then be held at 11:00 AM in the Chapel. Burial will then follow at Cannon Branch Cemetery, 9756 Godwin Dr., Manassas, VA 20110.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Manassas Kiwanis Club Foundation. Donations can be made via PayPal at <http://paypal.me/battlefieldkiwanis> or by mailing a check to: Manassas Kiwanis Club Foundation, 8721 Plantation Lane, Suite 201, Manassas, VA 20110.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Funeral Service

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Burial

AUG **25**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Cannon Branch Cemetery
9756 Godwin Drive
Manassas, VA 20110

Tribute Wall

VC

“ Ernie hired me at Continental Telephone in 1979 in Harrisonburg, VA. He was a great boss teaching me the in’s and out’s of the “telephone company.” I worked there 40 years and I never forgot Ernie Lunsford. He is one of those folks that you would never ever forget! You were one of a kind Ernie! You will be missed! 🥹

Vickie Comer - August 26, 2022 at 08:12 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ernest Chilton Lunsford Jr..



August 23, 2022 at 12:11 PM

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“ Donna lit a candle in memory of Ernest Chilton Lunsford Jr.



Donna - August 19, 2022 at 09:54 PM

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“ *Best boss I ever had. He wouldn't ask me to do anything that he wouldn't or couldn't do. A number of us got together and got a plaque for him. The caption reads, "Good management is the art of getting average people to do superior work." Ernie lived that quote. Anyone of us would have robbed a bank for him, in a manner of speaking. I will always remember Ernie as one of my best friends. Rest In Peace old friend.*

William Lowe - August 19, 2022 at 03:08 PM

TJ

*Condolences to the family, worked with Ernie in the early 80's!!
Tonnette Jackson.*

TONNETTE JACKSON - August 26, 2022 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Ernie and Lee lived across the street from us for many years. With young kids, at the time, we always called them Mert and Ernie, twist on sesame street characters. They taught me everything I know about making your landscape look nice and how to plant annuals. Their yard was impeccable, so fitting he continued his passion when they moved to colonial beach.*

RIP my friend. Nettie and Marshall Stevens

Nettie Stevens - August 19, 2022 at 10:37 AM