



## Laura and Edward Snowden

September 25, 2018 - September 27, 2018

Laura Virginia Snowden

August 3, 1924 - September 27, 2018

Edward Lee Snowden

November 30, 1923 - September 25, 2018

Laura Virginia Snowden and Edward Lee Snowden, married seventy-five years and nine months, passed away within forty-eight hours of each other. They were married on Christmas Eve 1942, both were being cared for at Caton Merchant House in Manassas, Virginia.

Laura Snowden was born in Slate Mills, Virginia, on August 3, 1924 her parents were Glyde E. Hawkins and Margaret R. Hawkins. She was the second oldest of seven siblings and is survived only by her youngest sister, Joan Hawkins Rooney. Her first seven years were spent without running water, electricity, and central heat. In 1929, her family moved to the Georgetown area of Washington, DC, and later to North Thomas Street in Arlington. She attended Washington Lee High School.

Mrs. Snowden worked at Chesterbrook Elementary School, in Fairfax County for twenty plus years. She was one of the beloved cafeteria workers who provided lunch for the students. She was a top-notch duck pin bowler, who was the main support for her blind sister, Charlene.

Mr. Snowden was born in Washington DC in 1923, he was predeceased by his father, Frederick C. Snowden and mother, Helen Conner Snowden. After the death of his father in 1938, his family moved to Arlington. In 1942 he enlisted into the Navy and went to basic training at Bainbridge, Maryland. Upon graduation he was assigned to the Destroyer Escort, USS George W. Ingram DE 62 as an original crew member of the ship, he was designated as a plank owner of the Ingram. He made 18 crossings of the North Atlantic, escorting convoys to and from Europe. When WWII ended, the ship was in the South China sea preparing for the invasion of Japan.

The Snowdens lived in Arlington and finally settled on Halsey Road, in McLean. They lived there for 54 years, before moving to Prince William County to be close to family.

Mr. Snowden served as Apprentice Engraver and became a Master Engraver with Copenhaver Engraving in Washington, DC. During the 1950's he was the primary engraver for many of the invitations that Copenhaver printed for White House events, including inaugurations. He retired in the 1970's.

Laura and Eddie were predeceased by their two daughters, Margaret and Carolyn. Surviving are grandchildren Timmy Barrett, and wife, Katherine, and Kimberly Mickles, and husband Jeff; and Heather McLarnon., They also have five great grandchildren, Alex and Erica Barrett, Travis, Justin, and Shirley Lynn Cockrell, as well as many nieces and nephews from the Hawkins and Snowden families.

On October 6th, 2018, there will be visitation for Laura and Eddie at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110 from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

A joint graveside service will be held for the Snowdens on Saturday, October

6, 2018. The service and burial will be at 1:00 pm at the Fairview Cemetery, 822 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper, VA 22701. Pastor Jim Lunde, Warrenton Presbyterian church, will officiate.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

822 Sperryville Pike  
Culpeper, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 6. 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>

## Graveside Services

OCT 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fairview Cemetery  
822 Sperryville Pike  
Culpeper, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Laura and Edward Snowden.*



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October 05, 2018 at 03:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Laura and Edward Snowden.*



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October 05, 2018 at 10:36 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Laura and Edward Snowden.*



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October 05, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ *Deborah Forrest sent a virtual gift in memory of Laura and Edward Snowden*



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**deborah forrest** - October 05, 2018 at 12:36 AM

DF

“ I Debbie just also wanted to say that I will miss that timely Birthday card every year. Laura would sign it and Ed was in charge of the calendar.  
I am sure many share this with me.  
I love you Ed and Laura for always remembering me with such a beautiful card.



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deborah forrest - October 05, 2018 at 12:35 AM

DF

“ Ed and Laura were our neighbors in McLean Va beginning in 1960 until moving in 2002. The Powell family.  
They were the best neighbors!!! I Debbie kept in touch with them and took my Mother to visit. My father died Christmas day in 2001 and we moved Mom to Charles Town W.Va.  
Mom moved literary 2 streets from Caroline.  
We got to visit with them within a month of them passing. We enjoyed cookies and although Laura slept a lot she was up and aware and we shared a precious moment about the Lord Jesus with Ed and we all said a prayer together.  
I am so sad that we lost them to earth here but their prayers were answered as they were ready to meet their maker.  
Ed always loved that my Dad remembered to say Happy Birthday to him every year. He said "He never forgot my Birthday"  
Ed always helped my Mom in the yard as my father was not into the yard as Mom and Ed were. It meant a lot and we loved them both.  
We knew their daughters and shared a lot of memories together remembering them as well.  
I baby sat for Timmy and Kimberly and that was a big part of my younger years.  
They will be missed and just looking at that beautiful picture brings tears of gratitude and love for them.  
Rest Peacefully in the arms of Jesus!

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deborah forrest - October 05, 2018 at 12:30 AM

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“ *With love, Jeff and Maiyen Hawkins purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Laura and Edward Snowden.*



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**With love, Jeff and Maiyen Hawkins** - October 01, 2018 at  
07:26 PM