



Melvin Henry Slusher

April 11, 1927 - April 1, 2020

Melvin Henry “Pete” Slusher passed away peacefully on April 1 at Arbor Terrace-Sudley Manor in Manassas. He was 92 years old.

Mr. Slusher was born on April 11, 1927, in Manassas to Ray and Nellie Slusher. He graduated from Osbourn High School in 1944. Upon graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army, serving in Germany at the end of World War II. He reenlisted in the Army in 1951 and served his country again in Korea during the Korean War. After serving in Korea, he was a member of the Virginia National Guard, where he attained the rank of Sergeant Major.

Mr. Slusher met and married Mary Kate Crump of Macon, Georgia, on August 11, 1951. Upon his return from Korea in 1953, they moved to Manassas and made their lifelong home there.

During the 1950s and 1960s, Mr. Slusher co-owned and operated Jim and Pete’s Appliance Sales and Service in Manassas. In 1968, Mr. Slusher went to work for Baco Mechanical Contractors as their primary HVAC mechanic. He retired from Baco in 1991.

Mr. Slusher was a member of Manassas Baptist Church since 1939, and he was a member of VFW Post 7589 in Manassas since 1947.

Mr. Slusher was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Nellie Slusher, his wife, Mary C. Slusher, and two brothers, Glenn and Stewart Slusher.

Mr. Slusher is survived by three children, Rick and Virginia Slusher, Debra and Randy Dasher, and Stephanie Slusher-Vale, all of Manassas. Also surviving are four grandchildren, Jason Dasher of Jeffersonton, Jeremy Dasher of Manassas, Alyssa and Kevin Fenstermacher of Haymarket, Greg and Lauren Slusher of Holly Springs, NC, and nine great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Sophie Kidwell of Winchester and Beckie Thompson of Gainesville, and many nieces and nephews.

A private burial was held on April 6 at Stonewall Memory Gardens in Manassas. A memorial service to celebrate Mr. Slusher's life will be held at Manassas Baptist Church on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM with the family receiving friends from 10:00 AM until service time.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that donations honoring Mr. Slusher be made to Manassas Baptist Church, 8730 Sudley Road, Manassas 20110, or to VFW Post 7589, P. O. Box 10206, Manassas 20108.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

Manassas Baptist Church
8800 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Melvin Henry Slusher.* ”



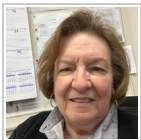
April 07, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Melvin Henry Slusher.* ”



April 06, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ *Praying for Pete's family today, that in the absence of friends and extended family members you will draw close to God and share your wonderful memories and tears with each other and with God, who loves you and will comfort you.* ”

Nancy Kerley - April 06, 2020 at 12:52 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Melvin Henry Slusher.* ”



April 03, 2020 at 02:59 PM

JM

“Pete” was a great guy with a wonderful sense of humor and a mentor to younger veterans. It was never about him, but about volunteering and helping others where needed. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. He is now in a better place and welcomed home by his loving wife and old friends. May God bless him and his family.

Watch over us old friend, your smile and friendship will not be forgotten.

Jerry Martin and the Swank family.

Jerry Martin - April 03, 2020 at 12:28 PM

DB

“Stephanie,
I am sorry to read of the passing of your father. I have an idea of how much he meant to you by all of the things you did for him. May he rest in peace.
Dave Button

Dave Button - April 03, 2020 at 09:14 AM

JR

“I have so very many fond memories from church and your dad was always there! He was a gentleman and such a good Christian example to all of us growing up! My condolences to the whole family! Prayers for comfort with Christian Love to you all of the family. Jan Rayl



Jan Rayl - April 02, 2020 at 08:51 PM

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Stephanie Vale - April 02, 2020 at 04:24 PM

DD

My Mom and Dad with their 1st and 2nd Grandsons, Jason and Jeremy. Dad was a wonderful Grandad to them

*Love you Dad
Debra*

Debra Dasher - April 07, 2020 at 02:45 PM

IC

Debra,

*Sorry to hear of your dads passing. He led a wonderful life indeed.
Blessings to your family.*

Irene Clater - May 26, 2020 at 06:36 PM

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Stephanie Vale - April 02, 2020 at 04:23 PM

JA

❤️ *you granddad*

Jennifer Ayers - April 02, 2020 at 07:37 PM

ST

*Wonderful memories spent at the fair with the stockholders and all of the many lunches, and hanging out in the booth.
love you Daddy*

Stephanie(daughter) - April 09, 2020 at 06:40 PM

VR

“ *To the entire Slusher Family,*

We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad and grandfather. He was such a sweet man. Please know we are keeping you all close in thought and prayer.

*With much love,
Vicki McCuin Rohs and family.*

Vicki Rohs - April 02, 2020 at 02:17 PM

AF

“ *I was very sad to hear about Pete's passing. He was such a great man. I meet him about 30 years ago through the VFW when I was a teenager. He always took the time to chat with me and I can honestly say there was never a time that I did not see him smile. He will be missed.*

Angela Fromm

Angela Fromm - April 02, 2020 at 01:48 PM



Thank you Mr. Slasher for your service.

Nana Cornett - April 02, 2020 at 07:48 PM

W,

You were a good man and a fine Brother in law more over the many years we worked together . I will never forget the day in Korea that you came down the trench line to see me and ask if I was ok . An old Army Sgt. to see a Marine Sgt. , that you don't see often . R I P

Warren Thompson ,Sr - May 09, 2021 at 02:31 PM