



Melvin Preston Warden

June 8, 1931 - February 15, 2016

Melvin Preston Warden, age 84, passed away on Monday, February 15, 2016 at Novant Health Prince William Medical Center, Manassas, VA.

He was born on June 8, 1931 in Rhodell, West Virginia to the late Jess and Ora Alice (O'Neal) Warden. Mr. Warden retired after a successful 30-year career from the Government Printing Office. He was loved and will be missed by the deaf community.

Predeceased by his parents and his wife Selma J. Warden. Survivors include one son: Benny Warden of Manassas, VA; one daughter: Shirley Lynn Cortese of Lake Mary, FL; two granddaughters: Kristen Eisenbarth and Samantha Cortese both of Florida; one sister: Sarah Perry and husband Accie of Delaware; and numerous extended family members.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, February 20, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas, VA.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of flowers or donations to: West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, 301 East Main Street Romney, WV 26757 in loving memory of Melvin Preston Warden. Condolences may be sent to: www.piercefh.com

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Graveside Services

FEB **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BP

“ Dear Benny and Shirley,
I'm so late in responding to this memorial. I loved both your Mother and Dad very much. Your dad was always laughing and made me speak sign language even though I wasn't very good at it. Now for your dear. sweet mother. I do not have one picture of her where she isn't making the "I love you" sign. Even with all our sorrows (and we all have them) they were the sweetest, loving and funniest people I have ever known in my entire life. **HOLD ONTO THESE THINGS.**
niece and cousin, Brenda Pigg

Brenda Pigg-Maurer - June 04, 2025 at 02:50 PM

MF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with your family.

Mary Flynn



Mary Flynn - February 22, 2016 at 01:00 PM

BS

“ Bryan McGee and James Stull purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Melvin Preston Warden.



Bryan McGee and James Stull - February 19, 2016 at 12:54 PM

SS

“ I will never forget what a sweet and kind man, Mr. Warden was to me and the expressions on his daughters face when she was speaking with him. Love always, Sharon

Sharon Bibb Strohbeck - February 19, 2016 at 09:11 AM

SA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. May Gods love comfort and strengthen you at this most sorrowful time.

Sandra LaPorte

Sandra - February 19, 2016 at 08:47 AM

EL

“ Shirley, Praying for peace and comfort for you and your family.
Ericka

Ericka L - February 19, 2016 at 08:45 AM

EL

“ Ericka L lit a candle in memory of Melvin Preston Warden



Ericka L - February 19, 2016 at 08:44 AM

RS

“ Shirley,
You have more strength and understanding
than most people know.
Take time to embrace your memories. Thinking
of you and yours.
Robin



Robin S - February 19, 2016 at 08:27 AM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of
Melvin Preston Warden.



February 19, 2016 at 06:14 AM

CO

“ Cooky lit a candle in memory of Melvin
Preston Warden



Cooky - February 18, 2016 at 10:52 PM

TP

Shirley,
Sorry for your loss - may your good memories of your dad give you
comfort during this tough time

Terry P

Terry Patton - February 19, 2016 at 08:40 AM

CO

“ *Cooky sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Preston Warden*



Cooky - February 18, 2016 at 10:43 PM

JG

“ *My heart is filled with sorrow upon hearing the news about Melvin passing. My most sincere condolences go out to Benny and Ricky. I pray that God will grant Benny the strength needed to get through. Melvin was truly a good father to you and was always cheerful every time I chatted with him via Video Relay Service. I miss Melvin's positive attitude and his sense of humor. Every time at end of his and my conversations Melvin kept telling me that he was very grateful to have Benny take care of him. He was very proud of Benny as his son.*

I pray that God will grant Benny the strength needed to get through.

*Love,
Jerry Garmany*

Jerry Garmany - February 18, 2016 at 10:07 PM

MR

“ *Benny and Shirley,*

*Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this
difficult time.*

*Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow.
May your heart and soul find peace and comfort.*

*Love,
Marcie and Tim*

Marcie Ryan - February 18, 2016 at 09:10 PM

LV

“ *Love always, Ricky and Val purchased the Senti
ments of Serenity Spray for the family of Melvin
Preston Warden.*



Love always, Ricky and Val - February 18, 2016 at 05:30 PM

CO

“ *Benny and Shirley,
Truly sorry and your Daddy has Blessing life from now on.
I miss him and always remember his good smile.
Truly love all of you and family and friends
Cooky*

Cooky - February 18, 2016 at 04:47 PM

CO

“ *Cooky lit a candle in memory of Melvin Preston Warden*



Cooky - February 18, 2016 at 04:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Melvin Preston Warden.*



February 18, 2016 at 02:35 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Melvin Preston Warden.*



February 18, 2016 at 02:16 PM

CL

“ *Melvin,*

Serry and I miss you Last May 2015, Serry and I visited you, Benny and Ricky. We enjoyed eating Filipino foods. We think of you.

*Love and hugs,
Cecile and Serry*

Cecile Lim - February 18, 2016 at 08:42 AM

MA

“ *Benny and Shirley,
I am surely miss your lovely Dad and he was so sweet when I was
on VP with Benny your dad always say hi and chatted with me.. my
heart goes to you both!! I am sure to see you this coming Saturday..
Always Remember Melvin!! AI love you both and Rick too*

*oxox,
Marty*

Marty - February 17, 2016 at 08:35 PM

RP

*Uncle Melvin,
I will always remember your stories about Washington Redskins and
the NFL. You were one of the first few people to introduce me to the
boxing world. I enjoyed listening to your fond memories of Rocky
Marciano, Muhammad Ali, Joe Louis, and Roberto Duran.
I salute to you!
Love always,
Ricky and Val*

Ricky Perry - February 17, 2016 at 08:58 PM

BM

*Benny and Shirley,
I will always remember and sure miss your friendly father and you have
my deep condolence and prayer for you and your family and relatives. I
dearly love him.
Love always,
Bryan*

Bryan McGee - February 18, 2016 at 11:36 AM

BV

*Benny, Shirley and Sarah, deep in my thoughts and prayers. I want to
let you all know that this is never forgotten wonderful memory of Melvin
and Selma always inviting me along with Sarah to their house during a
couple of holidays away from school, I had wonderful times with you
the guys!!!! Melvin and Selma were both so sweet!!!!!! Hope to see you
all before long.*

Becky Vickers - February 18, 2016 at 01:00 PM



*Dear Melvin,
Truly miss you and your comedy talks that I never forget about you.
You had been good to all of us, especially Benny and Shirley.
Now you live comfortable forever, we always miss you.
I still remember your face with good smile.
Take care and Blessings, Cooky*

Cooky - February 18, 2016 at 10:49 PM