



Robert Dellinger

February 9, 1926 - August 7, 2006

Robert L. "Bobby" Dellinger

Lifelong Manassas resident and longtime local home builder Robert L. "Bobby" Dellinger died Monday, August 7, 2006 at Gainesville Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Dellinger, 80, was born February 9, 1926 on Center Street, the son of the late Robert and Polly Dellinger. A partner with his father in a custom home building business in Manassas for many years, he took over the company on his father's retirement in the 1950s. Dellinger built over 150 custom homes during his career and retired in 1980.

Dellinger was a veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict, enlisting in the U.S. Navy at the age of 17. He was a member of the crew that brought the USS Snyder DE 745 from dry dock to seaworthiness in 1944, afterwards serving aboard that ship in the Pacific Theater, including the invasion of Okinawa. The USS Snyder was part of the first US convoy sent to Nagasaki after the atomic bomb was dropped on that city and at the time of the signing of the Japanese surrender in Tokyo Bay. Dellinger also served aboard the USS Healy DD 672 during the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Irene Martin Dellinger; three children,

Diane Hartson of Fort Valley, VA, David Dellinger and his wife, Mary of Manassas and Debra Davis and her husband, Jack of Tazewell, VA; six grandchildren, Kelby Hartson Carr, Robert and Michael Dellinger, and Leslie, Carey and Kevin Davis; and three great-grandchildren. He is also survived by one sister, Josephine Clark and was preceded in death by three sisters, Irene Lightfoot, Lil Lochte and Mary Hatter.

The family will receive friends from 7:00-9:00 P.M. Thursday, August 10, 2006 at Pierce-Price Funeral Home, 9609 Center St., Manassas. Funeral services will be held 11:00 A.M. Friday, August 11, 2006 at Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 8712 Plantation Lane, Manassas. Interment will follow at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church or Heartland Home Health Care and Hospice, 3900 Jermantown Road, #460, Fairfax, VA 22030.

Condolences may be sent to www.pricefh.com.