



George J. Ball

May 21, 1931 - February 2, 2016

George Ball passed away peacefully on February 2, 2016 surrounded by his loving family. He was born at home in Manville, NJ on May 21, 1931, the son of the late Stephen Ball and Mary (Sopko) Ball. A devoted family man, George was a loving husband, father of four, grandfather of 11, and great grandfather of 5. George proudly served his Country in the U.S. Navy from October 1950 to August 1954. He was an Aviation Machinist Mate, 2nd Class. George was happily married to Beverly (Cook) Ball for 58 years. He was an avid fan of Air Shows, NASCAR, and the football Giants, and enjoyed camping in Florida, as well as a yearly trip to Maine in the summer and traveling across the United States. George retired from Kentile Floors, as a maintenance Electrician in 1989. Predeceased in death by his mother and father, he is survived by his loving wife, Beverly; daughters Susan Sikoryak and husband Steven of Hillsborough, NJ; Debra Nelson and husband Joe, of Bowen, IL; sons Michael Ball and wife Joann (Tarantino) of Brooksville, FL; Stephen Ball and wife Patricia (Carbaugh) of Virginia Beach, VA.. Also survived by 11 beloved grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren. Also survived by his sister Elizabeth (Ball) Rhodes, two nephews, and niece and their families. The viewing will be on Sunday February 7, 2016 from 2 to 5 PM and on Monday February 8, 2016 from 9:30 to 10:00 AM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ 08835. (908)575-8512. Burial will follow with a graveside service at New Cemetery in Somerville, NJ. In lieu of flowers, George may be honored by contributions to: Manville First Aid and Rescue Squad, 2 South

3rd Ave. Manville, NJ 08835, The American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005, or Fisher House Foundation, 111 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20850. For additional information please visit our website at www.ketusky.com.

Cemetery Details

New Cemetery

Bridge Street
Somerville, NJ 08876

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ As an adoring four year old, Oh what a crush I had on Sonny Ball all dashing and smiling in his Navy uniform. He would visit our family in Lakeland FL while on leave. Once he let me pretend to drive his shiny black and white coup. He loved cars and racing and for many years he would bring his beautiful bride Beverly to visit my aging parents. Eventually the drive was too far for these two adventurers. Sonny will be missed for his droll sense of humor and the love he shared with us all. He was a kind, fine and honorable man

frances sopko elliott - February 08, 2016 at 01:54 PM

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“ How vividly I remember the first time I met my beautiful cousin George! I was not quite four years old, and he had come to see my father, who was his Uncle Charles. George, whom my father called Sonny, filled up the room with his presence and his mile-wide smile as he proudly displayed his Navy uniform.

I was sitting on the rug in the living room, looking at a punch-out-and-put-together cardboard circus that someone had given me. Sonny sat down on the rug with me, read the directions, and then put it together for me as I watched in wonder and delight. Now, I was a well cared for child, but this was the first time in my life that a grown-up had ever played with me! It simply did not occur to my family to do so.

I have other beautiful memories of George, but this is the one that still shines, sixty three years later.

May God give you rest. Vichnaya Pamyat! I will never forget you.

Donna (Ball) Brumbaugh

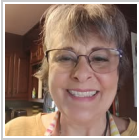
Donna Ball Brumbaugh - February 07, 2016 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Calvary Assembly of God, Carthage, Il. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of George J. Ball.*



Calvary Assembly of God, Carthage, Il. - February 06, 2016 at 08:51 AM



“ *We only got to meet George one time at Joe and Deb's house. It was a tremendously fun evening of food, games and lots of love around that table. Those are things one will always find at their table but that evening was more special because we finally got to meet "the George Ball" and his lovely wife Beverly! You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

LaDonna Nolden - February 06, 2016 at 08:00 AM

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“ *Dean Shaeffer and Colleagues of ODU-CoCEPD purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George J. Ball.*



Dean Shaeffer and Colleagues of ODU-CoCEPD - February 05, 2016 at 10:21 AM