



Clarence Wesley Evans

November 20, 2014

Clarence Wesley Evans, 87, passed away November 20, 2014 surrounded by family, friends and loved ones.

C.W. began his life in South Norfolk, the son of the late Mary Serena Godbold and James W. Evans. During his early years, he was spoiled by three women: his mother, Ruth Holloman and Louise Holloman; a state of life to which he became accustomed.

C.W. graduated from Churchland High School as a member of the Class of 1947 following a brief hiatus during World War II. He served in the Pacific Theatre, first for the Coast Guard and then for the Navy. Following high school graduation he attended The College of William and Mary courtesy of the G.I. Bill in their undergraduate program and law school. He left W&M, in his words, "to go make an honest living." Clarence started his career at RCA and then worked at the in the Design Division of Norfolk Naval Shipyard and at CDI Marine as a Draftsman. The position allowed him to travel the world extensively in support of the Navy.

When asked what his greatest achievement was, he replied "marrying Margaret." He married the late Margaret Oliver Gaskins on November 24, 1951 and raised a family of three daughters and one son. C.W. was fond of saying that with so many women in his life, he never had to make a decision. He is survived by his three daughters, Mary Margaret Evans Holaday, Nancy Evans Menke and Anne Evans Orwig; and his son, James Wesley Evans II. In addition there are seven grandchildren; Courtney Jordan, James W. Evans III,

Michael and Matthew Orwig, and Margaret and Andy Menke, and Derek Staggs as well as two great-grandchildren, Molly and Alex Evans. C.W also leaves behind his close companion, Jean Hamaker and his two nephews, Toby and Henry Holloman. He is predeceased by his brothers, James H. Holloman and Marion Holloman.

The family wishes to give a heartfelt thanks to Kevin Wilson, M.D., Sarah Ceperley, R.N, the staff of the Sentara Norfolk Heart Hospital, and his many friends of Cypress Cove for their care and their support.

A memorial service will be held at Churchland Baptist Church, January 17, 2015 at 2 p.m., followed immediately by a reception. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to the Churchland Baptist Church Windows Restoration Fund.

“God gave us memories that we might have roses in January.”

Previous Events

Memorial service

JAN 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Churchland Baptist Church
3031 Churchland Blvd.
Chesapeake, VA