



Dennis Minner Wagner, Sr.

June 19, 1928 - March 1, 2007

Dennis Minner Wagner Sr., 78, went to be with his Lord March 1, 2007. He was a native of Roanoke, a charter member of Covenant United Methodist Church, a member of Nansemond Masonic Lodge No. 77 and Dunn Hunt Club. Dennis retired as an aircraft foreman for the Naval Air Rework Facility and was a naval veteran of World War II. He was a past scout master for Troop 212, had worked as an athletic leader for Chesapeake Parks and Recreation for 10 years, loved playing and coaching baseball and was recently inducted into the Tidewater Softball Hall of Fame. Dennis is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Peggy; three daughters, Brenda Wagner of Chico, Calif., Donna Mullens of Schuylkill Haven, Pa., and Denise Firnstahl and husband David of Portsmouth; his son, Dennis M. Wagner Jr. and wife Lisa of Chesapeake; his brother, Clifton C. Wagner of Salem, Va.; three sisters, Elizabeth Kaplinger of Bergton, Va., Ruth Nunley of Boones Mill, Va., and Bevoline Willis of Morristown, Tenn.; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Covenant United Methodist Church by the Rev. Frank Jennings. Burial will be private. The family will receive friends today from 7 to 8 p.m. in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Building Fund of Covenant United Methodist Church.

Tribute Wall



“ I was so sorry to learn of Mr. Wagner's passing. As a child growing up in Elm Avenue Methodist Church, I looked up to and loved the Wagner family. Dennis and Peggy were such good examples of a happy Christian marriage -- always devoted to each other and seeming like best friends. Along with their children, they were a wonderful, close family whom everyone admired and respected, and I'm sure it is largely due to having a father with such faith and love for home, church, and community. So many people were the beneficiaries of Dennis's God-given talents and abilities through the years. His is certainly an example of a Godly life well lived.

God bless you, Peggy and family. I know your beloved dad's spirit will live on in you and in the many young people he helped and encouraged.

Sincerely, Sheryl Williams##imported-begin##Sheryl Weiseman Williams##imported-end##

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