



Glen Corwin Keyes

August 23, 2018

Glen Corwin Keyes, 84, passed into eternal life with his Savior Jesus Christ on August 23, 2018.

Glen was a loving and devoted husband, Daddy and Paw Paw. Glen was married to “Jimmie” from Karp’s Pharmacy for 55 years, sharing a lifetime of precious moments and funny stories. Glen was an “Old School” gentleman and true example that chivalry has stood the test of time.

In 1951 at the age of 17, Glen enlisted into the United States Air Force and proudly served his country during the Korean War. With many tales of his travels, the family believes there may still be a “MP” somewhere that witnessed early one morning young airman Keyes returning to base out of uniform and pulling a rickshaw with two of his buddies in tow.

After his return from the Korean War, Glen graduated alongside his brother, Ronnie in 1956 from the new Woodrow Wilson High School. After a few years Glen began his 20 year service as a member of the Portsmouth Police Department. His honors included sharp shooter and Certified Driver. His duties ranged from Patrolman to walking a beat downtown.

Glen’s legacy includes issuing parking citations as a Traffic Enforcement Officer, without prejudice, there were no favors to anyone wrongfully parked,

from the Governor of VA to Glen's younger sister Juanita, who Glen once told "if you can afford a Lincoln you can afford a nickel for my meter". There were many more proud stories shared by Glen of his time as a Portsmouth Police Officer. To those of you that served with him, please rest assured that Glen's family has been sworn to secrecy. His brother David, being too young to partake can often be found telling stories of Glen. The rest of us will neither confirm nor deny these accounts.

Glen was predeceased by his parents Margaret and Glen H. Keyes, and his brother Ronald H. Keyes. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 55 years "Jimmie"; siblings Juanita K. Bryant, David F. Keyes and Bonnie B. Keyes; children Peggy Kalmbach (Cliff), Susan Sumner (Buddy), Corey Keyes and Dianne Ewell & her forever Les Doggett; grandchildren Meredith Callaway, Ashley Spelts, Kimberly Bubar, Lisa Sumner, David Ewell, Jr. and Kelsey Ewell; 8 great-grandchildren and countless nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Loving Funeral Home Wednesday from 6-7:30 pm. A funeral service with Military honors will be held at 3 pm Thursday in the Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery with Pastor Tom Potter officiating. The procession to the Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery will leave Loving Funeral Home Thursday at 2 pm.

Glen donated generously to many organizations. Memorial contributions may be made in Glen's honor to a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 6:00 PM - 7:03 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave.
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 484-3373

Service with Military Honors

AUG **30**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery
5310 Milners Road
Suffolk, VA 23434

Tribute Wall



“ *My heartfelt sympathies goes to Mrs. Keys and her family. Words can't express how saddened I was to hear about the passing of Mr. Keyes. He was a wonderful neighbor always willing to offer help when and if needed. I consistently looked at him in awe at the devotion he had towards his wife. I will miss his pleasant smile and wave as we pass at the mailbox :) and will remember him for his caring and loving nature. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers and Mr. Keyes presence will be greatly missed in our little circle of neighbors.*

Val Woods - September 13, 2018 at 11:40 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Glen Corwin Keyes.*



August 29, 2018 at 09:09 PM



“ *Les and Dianne,
Sending our sincerest condolences for your loss. We are praying that God gives you His overwhelming peace and hope today.
-Your Friends at MSP*

JUSTIN JEWELL - August 29, 2018 at 08:11 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Glen Corwin Keyes.*



August 29, 2018 at 04:58 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Glen Corwin Keyes.*



August 28, 2018 at 02:50 PM



“ *Dianne and family. im sorry to hear of your Father's passing. You and all family are in my prayers. God Bless. I hope he had a peaceful journey Home*

Donna Collins - August 27, 2018 at 03:08 PM

RS

“ Condolences to Glen's family. I grew up three doors from the Keys family. Glen's brother Ronnie was my close friend until I moved away in 1958. I knew the whole family very well and always respected Glen. He was one of the policeman who answered the call to take my father to he hospital after a stroke left him unconscious and he died shortly after that. I loved Glen's mother and the whole family. Very sorry to hear of Glen's passing. Sending prayers for comfort and love.

Raymond Sugg (aka Dickie Sugg)

Raymond Sugg - August 27, 2018 at 12:17 PM

DK

“ I will always remember my brother as a "SERVANT" Having served his wife for 55 yrs, his family, friends and the public as a police officer This was evident as he said the night of his death "PEOPLE NEED HELP" and I have tried to do that !!!!
This was truly a man who loved
God, his Family and Country
I'm sure God is saying "WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL
SERVANT"

David Keyes - August 26, 2018 at 09:28 AM

LD

“ A great afternoon spent with my "FRIEND" Glenn cruising the Elizabeth River touring the Gosport Shipyard. I will miss you Buddy!
Love You!



Les Doggett - August 25, 2018 at 08:46 PM

EB

Glen was one of the first police officers I worked with and we shared a patrol car and walking beat together. He was always a good friend whom I could always go to for advice and guidance. My thoughts and prayers to his family.

E. Ronald Boone - August 27, 2018 at 10:32 AM

JF

We are so very sorry to hear of Mr. Keyes Passing, we have been neighbors for 27 years. Whenever we would see each other out in the yard we would always talk. He was a Great and Kind man And I would have done anything that Mr. and Mrs. Keyes needed. My Family and I will truly miss him, May he rest in Peace. Jr Cleveland and Family.

Jr cleveland and Family - August 29, 2018 at 12:21 PM