



Hugh Edward Spivey

January 6, 2023

Hugh Edward Spivey, 87, passed away peacefully with his family at his side on January 6, 2023. He has been a member of Monumental United Methodist Church since 1935. He was a native of Portsmouth and a 1954 graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School. Hugh continued his education obtaining an Associates in Fire Science from Tidewater Community College and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Old Dominion University. He was a Naval Veteran of the Korean War and extremely proud to have served on the USS Antietam. The USS Antietam was one of 24 Essex-class aircraft carriers built during and shortly after World War II for the United States Navy.

Hugh was employed with Portsmouth Fire Department from 1958-1983 retiring as a Captain and during this period he also operated his own electrical contracting business. Shortly after retirement he worked at Naval Facilities Engineering Command as an Engineer Tech until retiring once again in December 2000. Hugh was an Eagle Scout, and a member of the Eagle Scout Association. Hugh was a very social person and enjoyed many activities and organizations. He was a 60 year member and Past Master of Western Branch Masonic Lodge # 189, a member of Churchland Masonic Lodge # 276, Portsmouth Scottish Rite, 50 year member of the Khedive Shrine Center where he held various offices within the Temple. He also was a member and Past Patron of the Mirian Chapter Order of Eastern Star and the Portsmouth Moose Lodge # 898.

Hugh was predeceased by his parents Phyllis and Edward Spivey. He is survived by his Best Friend and Companion Marjorie Askew; two sons Edward Spivey, Gary Spivey and his wife Debi; two daughters Cheryl Spivey, Karen Wright and her husband Patrick; two granddaughters Caitlin Wright and Courtney Courson and husband Kevin; two great-grandchildren Maddox and Calla Courson; along with many devoted nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Hugh suggested memorial contributions to the Shriners Hospitals for Children or Monumental United Methodist Church.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am Wednesday, January 11, 2023, in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel with Masonic Rites with Reverend Ray Edmonds officiating. The family will receive friends in the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Previous Events

Memorial service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave
Portsmouth, VA 23703

Tribute Wall

KH

“ *Mr. Spivey was a friend to me and a mentor. I worked with him and for him. I will truly miss him. My condolences to his family.*
Ken Hayden

Ken Hayden - January 20, 2023 at 07:42 PM

JS

“ *Had the pleasure of knowing Hugh for several years . Through the Shrine , the portsmouth fire dept . and several other clubs . It was a delight knowing him . My condolences to his family . I'm sure he will be missed .*
Jerry Smith

Jerry Smith - January 11, 2023 at 09:45 AM

KR

“ *I had the pleasure of meeting Hugh at the shrine circus that was held annually in va bch,over 30 years ago. I may have been 12 at the time. My father and Grandfather who are also Masons and Shriners, and was walking distance from grandparents home.No real big coincidence there. What was slightly coincidence about it was My Mom and Hugh's Son Gary had either recently met...or would soon meet....The Rest is History, and how I inherited a bonus Grandad, who along with a few others helped mold me into the Husband,Father,and Brother that I am today,and am forever grateful. My Deepest and heartfelt condolences to the family as I too share in this loss,as well as I'm sure he will be missed by all in his community that had the privilege of knowing him. R.I.P. Worshipful Brother Spivey, and I'll see you again when we attend that celestial lodge above together!*

Kenneth Riffle - January 11, 2023 at 08:14 AM

LJ

“ *Condolences to the family. Sorry for your loss.*

LJ - January 08, 2023 at 08:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Hugh Edward Spivey.*



January 08, 2023 at 08:59 AM

DT

“ *I have lost a good friend and heaven has received a great man. I will miss you.*

Dave Tugwell

Dave Tugwell - January 08, 2023 at 08:04 AM