



Leonard Arthur Fredette

February 21, 2014

Leonard Arthur Fredette, 89, departed this world on February 21. After finishing high school, Len enlisted in the Marines on December 8, 1941 serving at many commands in the Pacific Theater during WWII. Len achieved a battlefield commission to the rank of Lieutenant before being discharged. He moved to Portsmouth in 1978, retiring from the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. Len was an active Mason, serving as Worshipful Master, DDGM as well many leadership roles in other Masonic organizations. He was an active member and Sunday school teacher at Broad Street Methodist Church in Portsmouth. Len was a superior leader and friend to all who knew him. As well as a great and beloved Brother and Mentor to those who knew him as the "Carpetbagger".

He was predeceased by a son, David and he leaves behind his children James Fredette, Leonard Fredette, Edwin Fredette, Laurie King, Debbie Hillard, Calvin Fredette, Mark Fredette, Matt Fredette, and Martin Mathers; nineteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held between 6 and 7 p.m. at Loving Funeral Home on Thursday, February 27. The funeral service with Masonic Rites following the visitation will be conducted by Reverend Lisa Blackmonson. Len will be buried in Massachusetts, alongside his wife, Patricia. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Masonic Home in Richmond.

Tribute Wall



“ *Len and I were members of several Masonic Organizations together. He will be missed deeply in each one. I will certainly miss him. My condolences to the entire family. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Stormy Thorson##imported-end##*

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“ *OUR DEAR LEN! WE ARE ALL GOING TO MISS YOU! WE SO, LOOKED FORWARD TO YOUR YEARLY VISIT TO MASSACHUSETTS! IN JULY! YOU ADDED FUN TO OUR PICNICS AND GET-TOGETHERS! WE LOVE YOU! EDIE AND FAMILY XO##imported-begin##Edith R. Carr##imported-end##*

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“ *Grandpa,*

I will always remember your wonderful smile and contagious laugh. I loved all your fascinating stories. You are such a class act. A perfect gentleman. You gave so much to your country and helped so many others in need. I know you are at peace. Charlton & I will always have our special rings to keep you close to our hearts.

Much Love,

Jennifer ##imported-begin##Jennifer Fredette Morris##imported-end##

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“ *Mr. Fredette was always a big supporter of Bethel 40. He will be missed.* **##imported-begin##Bethel 40##imported-end##**

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“ *Mr. Fredette was a great friend and brother. He was always quick to step in and help and proved to be a leader you could have faith in. I can't think of a single encounter with him where I didn't walk away either smarter or happier than I had been previously.* **##imported-begin##Charles Morton##imported-end##**

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“ *Len was a great man, a great Mason, and a great friend. I will miss him very much. My prayers go up for all of his family and friends - May God hold you tight in His grasp as you grieve, but not as those without hope for we know that we will be reunited in eternal life. Amen.* **##imported-begin##Thad Decker##imported-end##**

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