



## Marshall D. Owens

May 28, 1909 - January 17, 2006

Marshall D. "Buddy" Owens, formerly of Shea Terrace died on January 17, 2006 in Richmond, Virginia. He was retired from the U. S. Postal Service after 32 years of service. He was born in Portsmouth on May 28, 1909 and lived there until 2003 when he moved to Richmond to be near his daughter, Judy.

He was predeceased by his parents Joseph T. Owens and Alberta O. Owens and five brothers and one sister. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 56 years Virginia Rountree ?Jinky? Owens.

He is survived by a son Marshall D. Owens, Jr. and wife Diane of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and a daughter Judith O. King of Midlothian, Virginia and five grand-children, four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Owens was a member of Park View Baptist Church and the Azor Bible Class. He served as a Deacon in the church. He was also a member of the Seaboard Masonic Lodge #56 A. F. & A. M., the Portsmouth Scottish Rite Bodies, the Khedive Temple of the Shrine, and the Tidal Wave Chapter #9 Order of the Eastern Star.

He was a member of the Portsmouth Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and served as chairman for six years, was secretary of the S. E. V. A. M. P.

Advisory Board, the R. S. V. P. Advisory Board and the Mayor's Senior Citizens Advisory Board. He was the director of the first Senior Citizens Center in Portsmouth and a volunteer at the Beazley Senior Citizens Center for 23 years.

A funeral will be conducted at 11:00 on Thursday, January 19 at the Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel. The family will receive friends on Wednesday night, January 18 from 7:00 until 8:00 at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Judy and family,  
Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May God bless you and keep you.

With love,  
Mike, Mary and family##imported-begin##Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Farrell##imported-end##

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January 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Buddy Owens:

The Beazley Senior Center wants to express our sympathy in the loss of your father. He was a great man, and was such an asset to our Center. Even though he has not been with us in the past few years, we will always remember his help in running the Center with the kids, working in our wood shop, caning chairs, calling bingo, playing cards, and taking care of Jinky. He knew everthing to do in all things we needed. He will be missed by all our seniors.

Sincerely,

Dail R. Harrell  
Program Coordinator##imported-begin##Dail Harrell##imported-end##

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January 18, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Judy...I don't know if you remember me but my Grandmother was Bertha Parsons. She lived on Constitution Ave and your yard met hers. You and I would play together when we visited her in August in the 1960s. We used to sew clothes for some little dolls that we both had, I remember. My husband and I moved to Portsmouth from NJ three years ago and live in Waterview. I had always hoped to get reacquainted if you were still here. Then today I read about your Dad in the Pilot. Please accept my condolences at this very hard time and if you would like to get back in touch, my phone # is 757399-3205. My address is: 550 Nansemond Crescent, Portsmouth 23707. Sincerely, Joan Parsons Tuleya###imported-begin##Joan Parsons Tuleya###imported-end##

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“ "Buddy" was one of my heroes. I loved him and "Jinky" from the deepest part of my heart and to the end of the earth. When I think back to growing up, and the many, many visits, well, lets just say I thought he hung the moon. They both had a way of making you think you were the most important person in the world. "Buddy" was my Godfather and I am a better person because of that special relationship we shared. I am so sorry for your loss, but find comfort in knowing that he was so blessed with a wonderful family and countless people who loved him. We will all cherish his memory forever.###imported-begin##Beth Prever###imported-end##

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January 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM