



Raymond Joseph Neal

May 2, 2008

Raymond J. Neal, 82, went to be with the Lord May 2, 2008. He was born Nov. 6, 1925, in Bluefield, W.Va. He was the son of the late Bessie L. and Ira G. Neal. Raymond was a veteran of World War II and received the Purple Heart for his service in the Battle of Bastone. He was retired from the Norfolk Naval Shipyard where Raymond served as a supervisor in Quality Assurance. He was a faithful member of Green Lakes Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. He was also a member of the Churchland Masonic Lodge and a member of the Portsmouth Scottish Rite. Raymond was predeceased by his first wife, Dixie Marie Neal; six sisters, Nora, Erma, Beatrice, Irene, May and Lula and a brother, I. G. Neal Jr. He is survived by his loving wife, Lois D. Neal; his son, Raymond E. Neal and wife June of Chesapeake; three daughters, Cheryl Whitmore and husband William of Virginia Beach, Terri Sanderlin and husband Ben of Windsor, and Peggy Santa and husband Jack of Chesapeake; seven grandchildren, Raymond J. Neal II and wife Margaret of Greenfield, Mass., Christy Mason and husband Brian of Chesapeake, Scott BrisBois of Virginia Beach, Courtney Roberts and Karen Roberts both of Richmond, Melissa Murphy of Virginia Beach, and Elizabeth Adams of Chesapeake; three great-grandchildren, Zachary Mason, Trevor Mason, and Samantha Murphy; and many nieces, nephews and special friends. A celebration service of Raymond's life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Green Lakes Baptist Church, Portsmouth, by Dr. Dwight Buchholz with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel, Monday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to Green Lakes Baptist Church or the American Cancer Society

Tribute Wall



“ Lois,
Frances Simpson wanted me to send you and your family her condolences with your loss. Frances Tordoff sent mom Raymond's obituary. Please know that she misses and loves you all.
Sincerely, Deb Simpson Whitted###imported-begin##Deb Whitted###imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *My Dad, Leamon Perry House worked with Mr. Neal at Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Code 133, Quality Assurance. Dad talked about Raymond alot and thought the world of him. He thought he was such a good man. Raymond would give him a ride to work whenever it was needed. I hope they are in heaven rehashing all the shipyard times!*

Thinking of you all!
Debbie House Brown
Broomhill Avenue###imported-begin##Deborah House Brown###imported-end##

May 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Lois

JB and I are very sorry and our prayers with you and your family, and Raymond's family. We thought a lot of Raymond.

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