



## Thomas D. Vann

February 16, 2012

Thomas D. Vann, 87, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, February 16, 2012. He was predeceased by his wife of 64 years Aloha Vann and parents Annie and William Vann. He served in the Merchant Marine during WWII and worked as a lab technician at Virginia Chemicals. Tom was a former member of Western Branch Baptist Church where he served on the board of deacons and the financial committee. After moving to North Carolina, he became an active member of Snug Harbor Community Church. Tom was a long-time sovereign of the Woodmen of the World, involved in Virginia and North Carolina lodges.

He is survived by daughter Wenona Nelson and her husband Anthony P. Nelson, Sr.; grandchildren Amy Sullivan and A. Paul Nelson, Jr.; great-grandson Jacob Sullivan; great-granddaughters Ashley Spruill, Allison Nelson, Samantha Nelson, Savannah Nelson, and Abigail O'Neal; younger sister Ruth Smith; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service to celebrate Tom's life will be held Monday at 2:00 p.m. in Loving Funeral Home with internment to follow at Greenlawn Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Funeral Home, and they suggest memorial contributions to Snug Harbor Community Church.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Wenona and Anthony,  
You were the best of caregivers to Mr. Vann. You were there for him every step of the way. I admire the love and devotion you had for Mr. Vann. God has belssed his soul.  
Be encouraged.##imported-begin##Beulah Davis, LSW  
Riverside##imported-end##*

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February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wenona, our hearts are saddened to learn of the passing of Tom. He and Aloha were dear friends and neighbors in Snug Harbor and we enjoyed worshipping together at Snug Harbor Community Church. They were such a blessing to all of us who knew them. May the Lord comfort and strengthen you and your family. with deepest sympathy,##imported-begin##David & Dolores  
Davenport##imported-end##*

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February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Prayers are with the family. My late husband & I were neighbors of Mr. & Mrs. Vann in Snug Harbor for 10 years and part of their church family at S.H. Community Church. They were both wonderful Christian witnesses & neighbors. We can be assured they are together again in the presence of our Lord & Savior.  
With love & Prayers,  
Betty Askes Baum##imported-begin##Betty Askew  
Baum##imported-end##*

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February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *He taught me to water ski! One Sunday afternoon in the Elizabeth River he pulled me over and over while Wenona spotted for Stinging Nettles! I have never been so tired but I loved every minute and him for doing it.*##imported-begin##Lynda & Nelson Bryson##imported-end##

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February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM