



Ernest Franklin Bowden

September 4, 1932 - February 14, 2023

Ernest Franklin Bowden, 90, of Parsonsburg passed away on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury.

He was born on September 4, 1932 in Salisbury, Maryland a son of the late Thomas and Marie Layfield Bowden.

Mr. Bowden's strong work ethic started when he was young and served him well throughout his life. He proudly served his country for twenty years in the U.S. Army before working for the railroad for another twenty years. He also worked selling promotional items and at the Swiss Colony store at the old Salisbury Mall. He loved to spend time in his garden and took pride in his yard. He loved spending time with his family and will be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor. Morning coffee club each day with friends was a favorite, where he would chat about the current events of the day.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Boughman Bowden; children, Glenda June Shrieves (Herbert), Gary Ernest Bowden (Joan), Dennis Eugene Bowden (Gwen), and Carol Denise Dent (Curtis); stepson, Tony Boughman; grandchildren, Ernie Shrieves, Becky Bowden, Emily Tedore (Adam), Jared Bowden, Lindsay Daniels (Grant), Ryan Bowden, Christopher Dent (Becky), and Catrina Hernandez (Michael); great grandchildren, Skye Shrieves, Brianna Shrieves, Zachary Dozier, Delpha Daniels, Morgan Dent, Daemyn Dent, Colby Hernandez, and Madison Hernandez; brother, Roland Bowden (Joyce); sisters, Nettie Timmons and Carrie Bradford; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Delpha Doris (Turner) Bowden; son, Robert Thomas Bowden granddaughter, Jamie Dent; and two brothers and seven sisters.

A funeral service will be held at noon on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar. A visitation for family and friends will be held one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at Springhill Memory Gardens in Hebron.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Springhill Memory Gardens

27260 Ocean Gateway
Hebron, MD 21830

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove St.
Delmar, DE 19940

Funeral Service

FEB **22**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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13 East Grove St.
Delmar, DE 19940

Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ernest Franklin Bowden*



Short Funeral Home - February 22, 2023 at 09:12 AM

AB

“ *He was my pop pop and I love him very much I was little girl when I really last saw you but I'll never forget you when you push me on your tire swing you had I loved it and you love to collect Coca-Cola everything Ill always have the memories we had all together helping with the animals you guys really did make me the woman i am now*

Amber Bowden - September 15, 2024 at 09:01 PM

GM

“ *Jean we are sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. We just found out.*



Grace Morris - October 01, 2023 at 08:10 PM

KR

“ I was so sorry to hear of Mr. Bowden's passing. I have the fondest memories of him. He sponsored our girls softball team, when we were 10-14 years old, and he was Pop Pop to all of us girls, not just Becky. He was always so supportive and proud of each and every one of us. I have thought of him many times since our ball-playing days. He was a giving and nurturing person and was so proud of his family. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege to know him.

Kim Richardson - February 23, 2023 at 06:12 PM

BT

“ Glenda, Carol, Gary, Dennis, and the Bowden family...Randy, Mom, and I are so very sorry for your loss, and we want you to know our love, thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you. I know that God has him in his care now, and you will see him again. Please know we're here if you need us.
Randy and Barbara Twilley, and Anne Webster

Barbara Twilley - February 21, 2023 at 08:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Bowden.



February 21, 2023 at 05:54 PM

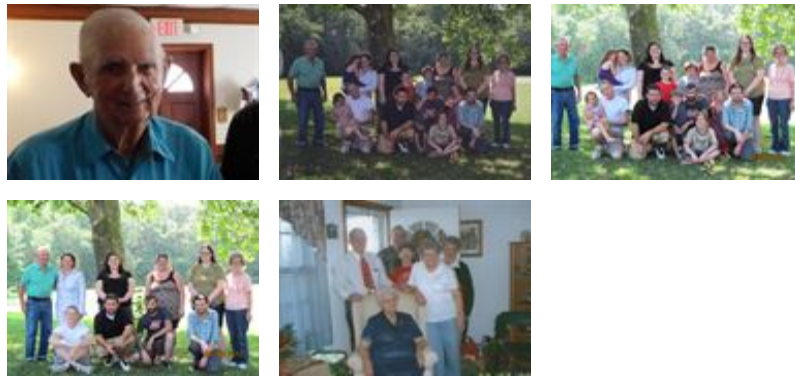
MI

“ My husband and I will always remember taking walks down our street and seeing Ernie out in his garden, tending to his yard, and caring for the ponies. He was always so kind and warm-spirited. On his 90th birthday, he unwrapped our basket of homemade cookies and he had a huge smile on his face -- the littlest moments made him happy, and, in turn, he made everyone around him happy.

Miranda - February 21, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ 115 files added to the album LifeTributes



Short Funeral Home - February 21, 2023 at 01:37 PM

JD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Uncle Ernie's passing. He was a wonderful man. Please forgive me for not being able to come to the funeral. My work is being inspected by the Joint Commission and I am working 10 to 12 hours a day. I may not physically be there but my heart and prayers will be. I am sure he and my dad are together.

Jo Davis - February 21, 2023 at 12:33 PM

CD

“ Carolyn Day lit a candle in memory of Ernest Bowden



Carolyn Day - February 19, 2023 at 03:01 PM

JR

“ I knew Ernie when he was still in the Army. He was sunny side up all the time. I will never forget his sense of humor and how he welcomed me into his home when I lived with him and his family for a few months before joining the military. He always had my respect and admiration.

James Robinson - February 17, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ernest Franklin Bowden.



February 17, 2023 at 07:57 PM