



George T. Messick Jr.

February 17, 1936 - May 28, 2015

DELMAR- George Thomas Messick, Jr., 79, of Delmar, Maryland passed away on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center. He was born at home in Georgetown on February 17, 1936 to his parents, the late George Thomas Messick and Frances Isabelle (Littleton) Messick. He grew up on many Townsend chicken ranches of Sussex County and rode his bicycle delivering newspapers for Henry Parks Newsstand. Prior to graduation from Georgetown High School in 1954, he followed the family tradition and enlisted in the Delaware National Guard's early entry program. He retired after 38 years as Sgt. Major HHC280th Signal Battalion in Georgetown. He was elected to the Delaware National Guard NCO Hall of Fame at Bethany Beach. He was currently employed as counter manager at Cherokee Lanes in Salisbury, Maryland. He was a goalie on the roller hockey teams at Skateland and Skateworld and numerous other area rinks. Known as "MADDOG", he was a diehard bowler in leagues at Wicomico, Seaford, Rehoboth, and Cherokee Lanes. He served for many years as secretary-treasurer of Salisbury Bowling Association, certified youth bowling coach and Maryland State Youth and ABC Board. He was inducted into the Salisbury Bowling Association Hall of Fame. He was a part of the Warrington Stock Car Racing Team at the Georgetown Race Track and an avid NASCAR and Jeff Gordon fan.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Elaine Messick; three daughters, Melody Messick and her friend, Dale of Gettysburg, PA, Melissa Messick of

Waynesboro, PA, and Michelle Horne and her husband Justin of Bridgeville, DE; 5 grandchildren, Mariah Russell, Damian Price and Jenna Price of Waynesboro, PA, and Fantasy and Journey Hopkins of Bridgeville; and his first wife, Norah Collins of Waynesboro, PA.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Richard, Donald, and Clayton; and a sister, Frances Ann.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Thursday , June 4, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and also Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Short Funeral Home, 13 E. Grove Street in Delmar, followed by the funeral service which begins at 11:30. The Reverend Phyllis Walton will officiate. Interment with military honors will follow at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro. Following the interment, family and friends are welcome to join the family at the Armory in Georgetown for a time of food and fellowship.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to your local youth bowling league.

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

Cemetery Details

Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery

26669 Patriots Way
Millsboro, DE 19966

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
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Delmar, DE 19940
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Visitation

JUN 5. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Service

JUN **5**. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of George T. Messick Jr.*



Short Funeral Home - June 05, 2015 at 09:12 AM

MM

“ *Melvin "aka" Munchie lit a candle in memory of George T. Messick Jr.*



Melvin "aka" Munchie - June 05, 2015 at 03:39 AM

CM

“ *George was a great man. He will be missed by many. Hope he has rubber bands up there so he can keep on getting people with them lol. Will miss just joking around with him every Tuesday an Thursday an Saturday morning.*

Crystal Mills - June 04, 2015 at 09:49 PM

LP

“ George...I had the honor of working with you for many years. You had done so much and will be missed by many.



Lisa Phillips - June 04, 2015 at 05:11 PM

LP

“ Linda Phoebus sent a virtual gift in memory of George T. Messick Jr.



Linda Phoebus - June 04, 2015 at 04:09 PM

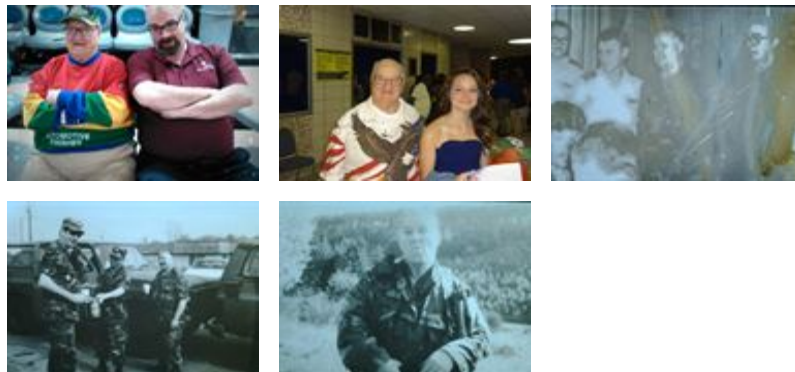
LP

Mr.George you will truly be missed by all who knew you, My Heart,Thoughts And Prayers go out to Ms.Elaine and entire family.

Linda Phoebus - June 04, 2015 at 04:13 PM



“ 49 files added to the album LifeTributes



Short Funeral Home - June 03, 2015 at 02:30 PM

BT

“ I always loved going into the bowling alley to joke around with George. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Brandy Taylor - June 02, 2015 at 06:48 PM

LH

“ Lisa Hutson lit a candle in memory of George T. Messick Jr.



Lisa Hutson - June 02, 2015 at 07:30 AM

KB

“ One of the great members of the Delaware National Guard. George was a mentor and true friend that will never be forgotten in my lifetime. I am forever grateful for having the opportunity to have known him.

Ken Bie - June 01, 2015 at 07:12 AM

MH

“ Michelle Horne lit a candle in memory of George T. Messick Jr.



Michelle Horne - May 31, 2015 at 11:58 AM

KO

“ George was a kind generous man, loved by many, and will be terribly missed. Rest in peace, and when it thunders now, we will know you are teaching God how to bowl the right way, aka...."the George" way. We love you! Dave & Kim Ortega

kim ortega - May 30, 2015 at 10:46 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Maddog's death. Doug and I will always remember him at the Friday Night Bowling league!

Debbie Miles - May 30, 2015 at 10:01 PM

SM

“ George, you will be missed by many. My thoughts and Praters to Elaine and the family.



Sherri McGoogan - May 30, 2015 at 09:48 PM

EW

“ Earlene Workman lit a candle in memory of George T. Messick Jr.



Earlene Workman - May 30, 2015 at 09:23 PM

CH

“ *Christine Horne lit a candle in memory of George T. Messick Jr.*



Christine Horne - May 30, 2015 at 01:40 PM

SW

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Shannan White - May 30, 2015 at 11:32 AM