



Maurice F. Adkins

June 20, 1938 - August 22, 2021

Maurice Franklin Adkins, 83, of Salisbury, passed away on Sunday, August 22, 2021 after a short stay at Coastal Hospice at the Lake in Salisbury.

He was born in Salisbury on June 20, 1938, a son of the late Walter Franklin Adkins and Emma Kathryn (Haddock) Adkins.

Maurice started working in the automotive and tire business for Burnett- White before getting an opportunity to work in the HVAC business. He worked for Pete White for several years, learning the HVAC trade before starting his own company, Maurice F. Adkins and Daughter Heating & Air. He proudly taught his daughter Maria the trade and together they took care of boilers and HVAC systems across Delmarva. He was well known and respected within the industry and even after retirement colleagues would call Maurice for advice on boilers and HVAC issues that they couldn't solve. He enjoyed NACSAR and Saturday night races at the Delmar International Speedway where he even had his own parking space. Maurice had a special place in his heart for pets and especially loved his dogs and his grand-dogs. In his spare time Maurice loved fishing and fished whenever he had the time. In his later years, he enjoyed a long ride to appreciate the scenery and look for deer. He will be remembered for his contagious smile, his ability to fix anything and most importantly, for his profound love for his family.

He is survived by his children, Maurice Lee Adkins (Barbara) of Parsonsburg, Maria E. Adkins (Marisa Carey) of Allen and Lisa G. Cathell (Hal) of Laurel; grandchildren, Cortney Cathell, Nicole Tingle (Dean) and Michael "Mikie" Lee

Adkins (Anna) of Delmar; great-grandchildren, Julian, Caleb, Alaina, Hannah (M.J.), Jacob, Gracie and Oakleigh; and great-great grandchildren, Rylee and Lailah. He is also survived by a brother, Phillip Adkins (Pat) of Salisbury; a half-sister, Ruthie Johnson of Salisbury; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sylvia Mae (Nichols) Adkins; and brothers, Howard and Leonard Adkins.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, August 27, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, followed by a funeral service which will begin at 11:00 a.m. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, masks must be worn by everyone participating in any aspect of the service. The Reverend Joel Beiler will officiate. Entombment will follow at Wicomico Memorial Park in Salisbury.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Humane Society of Wicomico County, 5130 Citation Dr, Salisbury, MD 21804.

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

Wicomico Memorial Park

721 Snow Hill Road
Salisbury, MD 21802

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 E Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Maurice F. Adkins*



Short Funeral Home - August 27, 2021 at 10:55 AM

HD

“ *Dear Maria,
I was just reading the obituaries and saw where your dad passed away. I wanted you to know how sorry I am. As you know, I have been away visiting my daughter and granddaughter in Alabama and Florida and I am just getting caught up with everything. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Henrietta Dorsey

Henrietta Dorsey - August 31, 2021 at 10:40 AM

DH

“ *Lee, Maria, and Lisa we are sorry for your loss. Maurice was an unique man always with a smile on his face. He had helped dad and me with our furnace issues. Such a caring man, he will be greatly missed.*

With love, Richard Hearn and Donna (Hearn) Haney

Donna Haney - August 25, 2021 at 03:43 PM

LK

Thinking of you All, trying to take away your pain. He gave everyone his Best, his Laughter and Support. He accepted and enjoyed us for who we are. RIP Maurice. 💔🐱

Linda Kunowsky - August 26, 2021 at 08:13 PM



“ *Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Adkins.*



August 25, 2021 at 09:03 AM

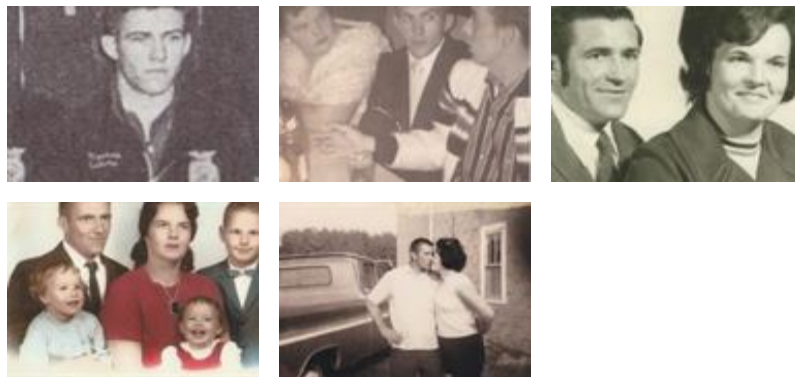
RP

“ *I remember Maurice from a young age... he was great friends with my dad james Abbott ... absolutely a great man ..prayers to his family 🙏*

rita parkinson - August 24, 2021 at 07:04 PM



“ *72 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Short Funeral Home - August 24, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Adkins.*



August 24, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Maurice. He was a man who always had a smile for everyone. It is good the family has a lot of great memories to help them thru this difficult time. Blondie*

Carolyn Parsons - August 24, 2021 at 11:13 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss to the family. I loved Uncle Maurice. He was one of my favorites and the last one on the Nichols side. Dale and I have been talking about stories about him, my dad and Dale. Camping, family reunions, crabbing, gosh there are so many stories I could tell but not on here. That was a long time ago. Those 3 were a mess together! My time flies. Dale will miss him too! Believe me he is up there dancing with Aunt Sylvia with no pain or suffering. He will always be with you because when you have so much love for someone they always stay close in your heart! Much love and prayers to Lisa and Maria and their families! Dale and Christine* ❤️

Christine - August 24, 2021 at 10:23 AM



“ *I will miss you my friend we shared many good times together. Virginia Kellum*

Virginia Kellum - August 24, 2021 at 10:01 AM

CH

So sorry to learn this. He always had a smile and a laugh whenever I saw him. He maintained my hvac equipment for many years--in fact he came to my home once during a snow storm at 2am when I had no heat.--A GREAT GUY...

CLIF HOLLOWAY - August 24, 2021 at 04:05 PM

BT

Lisa , Hal and Cortney Sorry we didn't come to the viewing hope up under stand the reason. We are so sorry for your loss. Hope all will be ok for you and the family. If there is anything we can do please call.

bunky and Betty Truitt - August 27, 2021 at 11:45 AM