



Ralph Patrick Hooper

March 26, 1931 - June 6, 2015

Mardela Springs- Ralph Patrick Hooper, 84, of Mardela Springs, died Saturday, June 6, 2015 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury. He was born March 26, 1931 in Clayton, Delaware, a son of the late William "Guy" Hooper and Ruby (Truitt) Hooper.

Ralph proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict from 1950 to 1953. He worked in substation maintenance for Delmarva Power for over 37 years. He was a member of Nelson's Memorial United Methodist Church in Hebron and Bethany Lutheran Church in Salisbury. He was very active in his community and served in many organizations, including Temple Lodge #170 A.F. & A.M. in Mardela, where he earned his 33rd degree Scottish Rite Mason, Rockawalkin Ruritan Club, where he served as past president and was honored with Ruritan of the Year, and a member of the Hebron Volunteer Fire Department for over 20 years. He was also a past Cub Scout leader, past president of the Mardela Springs PTA and past president of the Westside Historical Society. He was an avid NASCAR fan who rooted for Jeff Gordon and a lover of old cars. He was especially fond of his old Packard which won him many trophies through the years.

He is survived by his wife of almost 60 years, Patricia Kammer Hooper; a daughter, Katherine Magner and husband, David of Delmar; 2 sons, Curtis Hooper and wife, Paula of Salisbury and Craig Hooper and wife, Damaris of Virginia Beach; six grandchildren, Amber, Lillie, Pierce, Ariana, Kayla and Priscilla; four great grandchildren; a brother, Bud Hooper of Mardela Springs;

and a sister, Thelma Hales of Boca Raton, Florida. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, William, Walter and Joe Hooper; and four sisters, Doris, Louise and Amanda and Ruth.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and also Thursday, June 11, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Short Funeral Home in Delmar. A Masonic service will be held on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home, followed by a funeral service. Interment with military honors will follow at Springhill Memory Gardens in Hebron.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Westside Historical Society, P.O. Box 194, Mardela Springs, MD 21837.

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

JUN 10. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
info@shortfh.com

Visitation

JUN 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Patrick Hooper*



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IG

Pat, Sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. remember him fondly from the car club. Irene Gravenor

Irene Gravenor - June 10, 2015 at 06:56 PM

RH

Pat, very sorry to hear of your loss. My sincerest condolences to you and your family. Rob Hall

Rob Hall - June 12, 2015 at 07:48 PM



“ *Ralph Patrick Hooper*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM

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“ Miss Pat, Curtis, Kathy, Craig and all the Hoopers:
I am so sorry for your loss. Thank you so much for putting together that wonderful photo tribute. It was wonderful seeing all the family over the years and showing a life well lived. I know it was a difficult task to put together with much love, many tears and probably many laughs. Thanks for sharing. Know that thoughts are with you.

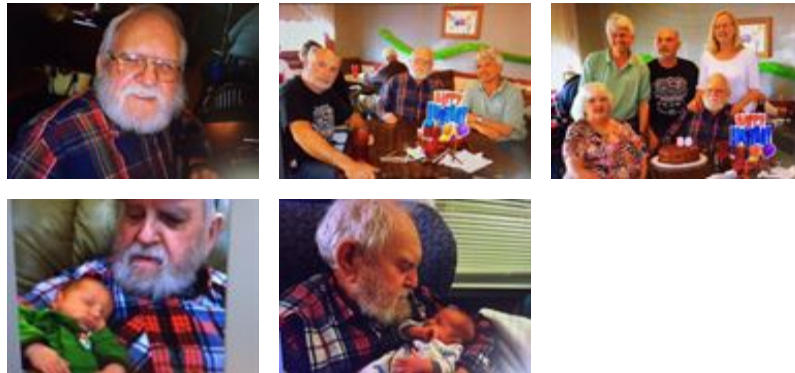
Deb Freeman

Kathy's classmate, and former neighbor to "Hooperville"/Double Mills

Deb Freeman - June 13, 2015 at 07:53 AM



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“ Aunt Pat, Curtis, Kathy, and Craig,

Our hearts are saddened by the passing of Uncle Ralph. For me, what a great Uncle he was always so humorous and kind. I will always remember his smile every time we got together and the fun we had reminiscing with each other. Even though we lived hundreds of miles away, I will always carry the memories of my Uncle Ralph with me each and everyday.

Frank Hales

Frank Hales - June 10, 2015 at 06:22 AM

JW

“ *Ralph was a huge part of my childhood memories. Growing up in Hebron, my parents were friends with Pat & Ralph and many of our holidays and summers were spent at the Hooper household. Ralph did not know a stranger. His friendly nature and fun spirit was contagious for all around him. I would like to extend our deepest condolences to Pat and the family. My parents are on a trip but wanted to express their condolences also. Many fond memories exist due to Ralph and his family.*

*Joanna Glime Wilson, Babe Wilson & Family
Joan, Bill, & James Glime*

Joanna Wilson - June 09, 2015 at 05:49 PM