



Ralph M. Long

August 6, 1951 - December 18, 2023

Ralph Morris Long of Delmar passed away peacefully on Monday, December 18, 2023 after a brief stay at the Delaware Hospice Center in Milford. He was 72 years old.

Ralph was born August 6, 1951 in Salisbury, a son of the late Lloyd Thomas Long, Sr. and Mary Emily (Cordrey) Long.

Ralph graduated from Wi-Hi and proudly served his country in the USMC from 1971-1975. He was a member of the American Legion Post 64 in Salisbury. He retired after over 40 years working in the construction business for his brother's company, Charles Cordrey Construction. Ralph had an appreciation for the outdoors and made many cherished memories fishing and hunting with Charles. He will be most fondly remembered for his easy-going, laid-back nature and his playful love for his nieces and nephews and children in general. He also had a special place in his heart for cats and his one time best friend, Irish Setter, Morgan, whom he took with him everywhere before his passing. He also had a fondness for harness horse racing and took friends and family with him to the local race tracks

He is survived by his best friend and brother, Charles Cordrey; sisters, Shirley Niblett, Charlene Talbott and Brenda Hearn-Parsons; nieces and nephews, Linda Kunowsky, Dana Webster, Shelly Harmon, Charles Edson, Christine Truitt, C.J. Billings, Kevin Billings, Stacy Walker, Donna Hearn and many great nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Friday, December 29, 2023 from 10:30 a.m. to

11:00 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, followed by a funeral service which begins at 11:00. Interment with military honors will follow at Salem Methodist Church Cemetery in Pocomoke.

Memorial donations may be made in honor of Ralph's love of cats to the Wicomico County Humane Society by visiting <https://www.wicomicohumane.org/donate/>.

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

Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery

1925 Unionville Road
Pocomoke City, MD 21851

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

DEC **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph M. Long*



Short Funeral Home - January 03, 2024 at 01:22 PM



“ *30 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Short Funeral Home - December 27, 2023 at 09:17 AM

DW

“Uncle Ralph was faithful in his last eight or so years to my parents Bonnie and Charles (his brother) as a friend, brother and a huge help in their time of need. I’m so very thankful my Dad had his brother living with him these two years since my mom’s passing. It definitely gave me peace of mind knowing Uncle Ralph was with him. He was a great help and companion during these years of mourning. Ralph loved his cats and was faithful in taking care of them. He enjoyed growing a garden each year with Dad, also. In their younger years they did a lot of fishing together. We will miss him greatly. Rest in peace Uncle Ralph.



Dana Webster - December 26, 2023 at 06:14 PM

CL

Your dad and Ralph were very close, I'm so glad they had one and other, Ralph and I wasn't together But I still cared about him ,he in heaven now, God bless your family and Charlie

Cheryl Long - December 27, 2023 at 05:24 PM

SN

Rest in peace, Ralph. I hope you knew how much you were loved. The memories of when we were growing up seemed like they were just yesterday. I have already missed you coming to my holiday dinners. I know that you are no longer in pain and you are watching over us along with all of those we have lost over the years. I love you.

Shirley Niblett - December 29, 2023 at 06:44 AM

BP

“Ralph had mom to drop Ralph, Charlene and me off at the Ocean City Bridge on the inland side. I fell asleep later in the night, I was hit by a warm water balloon from someone in the car passing us and the passenger threw the balloon in my face. I screamed a little and Ralph grabbed my head. Ralph thought the warm water was blood, he started to yell help.

When everything calmed down we all three of us laughed for while. When Charlene and myself were little we were watching television, Ralph threw pennies along the wall. We would go to the wall and picked up. When we asked him he would say "I hate pennies." Later in life Ralph said "Because you wanted penny candy."

I love you my brother.

Love and Rest in Peace. Brenda

Brenda Parsons - December 24, 2023 at 01:27 AM