



Walter F. Cohee Jr.

February 23, 1947 - February 9, 2019

Walter F. Cohee, Jr., 71, of Mardela Springs, passed away on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore, Maryland.

He was born on February 23, 1947 in Cambridge, Maryland, a son of the late Walter F. Cohee, Sr. and Alice Wheatley Cohee.

Walt graduated from North Dorchester High school with the class of 1965 before proudly serving his country in the U.S. Air Force. Memberships included the American Legion Post 218 in Sharptown, Marine Corps League of Salisbury, Yellow Ribbon Society of Cincinnati, Ohio, Wounded Warriors of Sharptown, Toys for Tots, Operation We Care and Heroes Haven. He was a lifetime member of the Mardela Springs Fire Co. where he served in various capacities through the years. He retired as a machine mechanic for Delmarva Power in Vienna and Indian River, Millsboro, after 37 years of service. Walt especially enjoyed working on the James Harding farm. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially deer hunting and spending time at the beach. He was also a motorcycle enthusiast who supported many veteran's causes through the various rides he participated in. All that knew Walt will remember his contagious smile, warm hugs, a good story and his overall love for people. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne Powell Cohee of Mardela Springs; a son, Kris Cohee of Mardela Springs; grandchildren, Marina Cohee, Christy Lathy, Alyssa Rivera and Sophia Rivera, all of Mardela Springs; a sister-in-law, Courtney Davis of Baltimore; and special friends, the Harding's of

Rhodesdale, the Catlin's and the Donohoe's of Mardela Springs, and Mike "The Watermelon Man" of Florida.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Staff Sargent Walter F. "Trae" Cohee, III; a brother, Michael R. Cohee; and mother-in-law, Pauline Powell; and father-in-law, Ollie Powell.

A funeral service will be held at the Mardela Springs Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 12:00 pm, where a visitation for family and friends will be held from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Interment with military honors will follow the service at East New Market Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Mardela Springs Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 299, Mardela Springs, MD 21837 or to Heroes Haven, P.O. Box 184, Sharptown, MD 21861.

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

East New Market Cemetery

East New Market, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 16. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mardela Springs Fire Department
Mardela Springs, MD

Service

FEB 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mardela Springs Fire Department
Mardela Springs, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Walter F. Cohee Jr.*



Short Funeral Home - February 16, 2019 at 04:07 PM

SW

Actually came here looking for someone else. But this is the most amazing tribute I've ever seen. What courage! What sacrifice! What an amazing life! I am awed and humbled.

Forgive my intrusion upon your grief. My prayers are with you.

Sharon Walton - March 17, 2019 at 11:19 AM

RH

I just attended the 14th Annual Let Us Never Forget dinner in Loveland, Ohio at the Oasis last night (April 6, 2019). I found out at the event Mr. Cohee passed away this year. I loved Walter & his wife Jeanne. What lovely and kind individuals. They were so supportive of the other Gold Star Families while suffering the loss of their own son. May God bless Walter and give him time now with his son. My prayers are with the family. Regina Herbolt, Batavia, Ohio

Regina Herbolt - April 07, 2019 at 11:15 PM



“ *Walter F. Cohee Jr.*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM

RH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Regina Herbolt - April 07, 2019 at 11:17 PM

SL

“ I'm not sure where to even start. My husband Dave Long worked with Walt at the Indian River Power Plant some years ago. He was one of the first coworkers that I met when we went to our first company dinner and he kissed Dave on the mouth..He made quite an impression. My last memory of Walt was the company's Christmas movie last December when he kissed me on the mouth. We loved Walt and were sorry not to attend the services but just heard of his passing today.
So very sorry to hear of your loss but comforted to know he's with his beloved departed son.
Love, Dave & Beth Long

Sara B Long - March 23, 2019 at 07:58 PM

MK

“ To Walt, RIP my dear friend. I'm sorry I couldn't be there today. I was there in spirit. To Jeannie and Kris please accept my condolences. I love you all.



Mary Knopp - February 16, 2019 at 08:40 PM

JB

“ We are going to miss seeing you at the Hebron Carnival and out at Roaring Point. Ciao Baby.

Jonathan and Melissa Blake - February 15, 2019 at 01:28 PM

AC

“ We are so sorry to hear about your loss!! Please accept our sympathies.

Jack and Anita Corbett

Anita Corbett - February 14, 2019 at 01:46 PM

TB

“ You will be missed Walt! No one will ever replace you. You were truly "one of a kind"!

Summer just won't be the same without you driving a watermelon bus with almost nothing on!!!

Tom & Donna Bradshaw - February 14, 2019 at 11:19 AM



“ Walt was just a guy who everyone liked. He didn't have a bad bone in his body. I'll never forget your hugs. We will miss you terribly.

Autumn Harris - February 13, 2019 at 12:40 AM

GH

“ What a blessing Walt was and a testimony of God's love. We pray for peace and comfort for the family.

Gary & Shirley Harrison - February 12, 2019 at 09:40 PM

TP

“ *Walter . . . how can we express how much we all loved you, your kisses, your jokes, and your endless devotion to so many projects like Toys 4 Tots (in memory of your son Trae) and Heroes Haven. I first met you when you were playing Santa Clause and leading the Toys 4 Tots run out of Seaford Harley Davidson. There will never be another like you! I will so miss seeing you ride by on the Trike past our house . . . we often said . . . There goes Walt!* ”

Trudy Pusey - February 12, 2019 at 04:23 PM

HE

“ *Deepest of sympathies for family and friends. Praying for healing in this difficult time.* ”



Heather - February 12, 2019 at 04:01 PM



“ *53 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Short Funeral Home - February 12, 2019 at 01:28 PM

KW

“ Karen Willing lit a candle in memory of Walter F. Cohee Jr.



Karen Willing - February 12, 2019 at 11:57 AM

SM

“ We also received coins from Walt and still have them. RIP Walt. You did enjoy life to the fullest.

Skip and Mary McElhinny - February 11, 2019 at 08:46 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Walter F. Cohee Jr..



February 11, 2019 at 08:18 PM


Melissa Dawn

“ Ms. Jeanne, and family, Butch and I send our deepest sympathies on the loss of Mr. Walt. He will certainly be missed, as he was a familiar face to the legion in Sharptown. He gave me a John 3:16 cross. I put it on my key chain and thats where it has been since he gave it to me. He always kept Trae's memory alive. Now they are united. Our prayers and thoughts to you, and may God comfort you during this difficult time.

Butch and Missy Willoughby

Melissa Dawn - February 11, 2019 at 08:06 PM

AS

“ Prayers to the family, I will certainly miss him at Hebron carnival and sweet potato days at church and seeing him around town....he always stopped and talked to me when I would be walking my dog even at night to make sure I was ok. Will miss him dearly 💔

Amy Sier - February 11, 2019 at 08:05 PM

 Arne Hauger

“ may GOD keep you in his loving arms and give you much peace. I have many fond memories of Walt and you and the boys. I am sorry that I haven't kept in touch with you like I should have. If there is anything I can do please let me know. My Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Arne

Arne Hauger - February 11, 2019 at 07:35 PM

JU

“ Richard and I looked forward to seeing Walter and Jeanne each year at the Let Us Never Forget Dinner in Cincinnati. Our hearts are heavy. Sending our thoughts and prayers to Jeanne, family and friends. Great Man! He will be not be forgotten. June #1

June - February 11, 2019 at 07:28 PM

WE

“ My thoughts with prayers go to the ones he loved first and most, "His family" , I too am a DP&L family member, where I met Walt through my Dad at the Vienna Power plant and its families that stuck together. He was always there for my family when my Dad got ill, and my Mom too. He became my Buddy when we were in the Fire Dept. together in Mardela Springs. I have know him and his wonderful wife Jeannie and kids all my life.

This man is truly a Godsend to anyone he touched, no matter how, His heart is no doubted made of Gold. For all that you have done in your life Walt, was never enough for him. He just wanted to keep pushing on, and he did. God and the Kingdom has added another special angel to the fleet. Walt I love you brother , I will meet you on the other side of the bridge.

Wayne English - February 11, 2019 at 07:27 PM



“ Meet Mr. Walt through Toys for Tots. Frannie asked me to be apart of the collecting Toys and I felt the warmth from doing so. Mr. Walt was a great man and I stand proud for all he taught me. Sure will miss his smiles.

Vicki Erisman - February 11, 2019 at 07:04 PM

SR

“ I met Walt this past October when my Son and I came to Sharptown for the Heroes Haven deer hunt. Being we were both in the Air Force we had a common bond. After the customary kiss Walt gave me one of his John 3:16 coins. Walt and I talked about me being a Vietnam Veteran and what it meant for me to be recognized for my Vietnam service after almost 50 years. I put the John 3:16 coin on my key ring and it will remain forever. Every time I look at it I have fond memories of Walt. Ret. Sgt. Stephen Rexrode
Vietnam Veteran
Petersburg, WV

Stephen Rexrode - February 11, 2019 at 06:44 PM

DH

“ I had just started to know Walt over the past 16 months from my time at Hebron VFD. My wife and I will miss seeing him around. My GOD look over his family here and help them through these hard time. He will be with his son again.

Dennis Hook - February 11, 2019 at 06:04 PM

 Mike
Dodd

“ Our deposit thoughts are with you at your time of loss . He was one of the nicest people I ever met. Always a pleasure to have a conversation with. The first time I ever met Mr Walt he gave me a coin for a hug and i still have it . Keep it with me all the time and everytime i pull it out i think of him . Makes me smile. Thoughts and prayers from the Dodd family

Mike Dodd - February 11, 2019 at 04:42 PM

EW

The Deepest of thoughts and prayers to everyone he will surely be missed and the coin he gave to us will remind us of him and remembering him riding through the campground smiling jokeing and eating peanuts.from the Weigand Family

Ed Weigand - February 11, 2019 at 06:03 PM

RE

*He gave me a coin also probably 8 years ago. I keep it in my wallet.
John 3:16*

Renee - February 11, 2019 at 10:12 PM

AC

“ *To the Cohee Family,
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. Walt was a Great Guy. I met him in Cincinnati Ohio at an event Honoring Our Fallen Military Heroes.
Walt always had that Big Smile. You will be Missed Sir.
RIP Walt*

*Respectfully
Anthony Cloyd*

Anthony Cloyd - February 11, 2019 at 04:30 PM

PC

“ *I so enjoyed talking with you when I worked at the store at the campground. I have the coin that you gave me in memory of your son and think of you fondly.*

Peggy Cornelius - February 11, 2019 at 04:12 PM

DB

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Cohee family! Walt worked with my dad, John Short at dp&l in Vienna and Indian River! Dad thought a lot of Walt and sadly we lost him in October! Walt was a great person! My thoughts and prayers go to his family at this very difficult time*

Donna Bowers - February 11, 2019 at 03:38 PM

 Steven James

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Steven James - February 11, 2019 at 03:36 PM

VG

“ *You will always be my family!! I love you guys. I hope you find comfort in knowing your 2 boys are together again!!*

Vanessa Gerritsen - February 11, 2019 at 03:16 PM

MM

“ *So sorry for your loss*



Mark & Nancy Meekins - February 11, 2019 at 02:09 PM

LL

“ *Walt - You will certainly be missed at Sandy Hill Family Camp. Your craziness always made us laugh. R.I.P. Wayne and Laura Long*



Laura and Wayne Long - February 11, 2019 at 12:37 PM