



James "J.T." DeBoe

June 7, 1920 - October 23, 2015

James Thomas "J.T." DeBoe, 95, of 130 Gilliland Drive, Danville, VA, died on Friday, October 23, 2015 at Danville Regional Medical Center after a decline in health for the past three weeks.

Mr. DeBoe was born in Gretna, VA on June 7, 1920, a son of the late Moses Leon DeBoe and Dora Vivian Bennett DeBoe.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, serving three years in the South Pacific.

On October 25, 1947 he married his greatest love of 67 years, Frances Ellen Lewis DeBoe.

A passion of his was flying of which he did for 57 years. Mr. DeBoe worked at the University of Virginia Airport as a mechanic and a pilot, and as machinist for Dan River Mills. He retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. where he worked as a machinist. He was a member of Westover Baptist Church where he served as a Trustee, Deacon and Usher. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 325.

Mr. DeBoe is survived by three daughters, Emily D. Ritchie(Harry) of Julian, NC, Wanda D. Davidson(Wesley) of Danville, VA, and Gale D. Harrison(Mike) of Apex, NC; eight grandchildren, James Ritchie, Daniel Ritchie, Dena Aaron,

Jeremy Davidson, Sarah Collins, Justin Harrison, Samantha Harrison, and Rachel Harrison; nine great-grandchildren and a brother, Neal Carter DeBoe.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by one daughter Julia Clare DeBoe, two brothers, Len DeBoe and Edgar DeBoe, and four sisters, Mary D. Smith, Lena D. Blair, Juanita D. Hogan.

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 2:00 PM, at Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Doug Barber, and the Reverend Robert Vermillion. Interment will follow the service at Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends before the service from 12:30 to 2:00 PM. Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the DeBoe family.

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel
5858 Riverside Drive
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ To the entire DeBoe family my thoughts and prayers are with you. My mom and dad loved your parents. You were very fortunate to have a loving mother and father. I'm sure they are all reunited in heaven right now.
Barry Ferguson

Barry Ferguson - October 25, 2015 at 12:55 PM

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I worked with J.T. at research and always considered him a good friend. I have the family in my prayers.

Catherine Ferrell - October 25, 2015 at 06:21 PM

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“ Sue and Tom,

We are thinking of your entire family during the loss of your uncle, and we are here if we can do anything at all. By the way, we still miss Lena, and we love you both.

Tom and Sherri Yeatts

Sherri Yeatts - October 25, 2015 at 10:06 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James "J.T." DeBoe.



October 24, 2015 at 09:50 PM