



John Wister "J.W." Wilkinson Jr.

December 12, 1925 - April 29, 2018

John Wister "J.W." Wilkinson, Jr., 92 of Ringgold, VA, died peacefully at his home after a brief illness on April 29, 2018. J.W. was married to the late Doris Arrington Wilkinson who predeceased him on November 9, 2007. He was the son of the late John W. Wilkinson Sr. and the late Evelyn Tate Wilkinson. He was also predeceased in death by his sister, Rebecca Bartee.

He is survived by his five children; Deborah Bass (Kenny), of Ringgold, VA, Steve Wilkinson (Margie), of Sutherlin, VA, Rhonda Day (Andy), of Manakin-Sabot, VA, Phil Wilkinson (Karen), of Danville, VA, and Lisa Wilkinson of Ringgold, VA; his dear friends of many years, Skeeter, Kathy, and Kevin Oliver of Ringgold, VA; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one sister, Hazel Jones, of Harrisonburg, VA.

J.W. joined the Navy in 1944 where he proudly served his country. He was the General Manager of Boxwood Dairy, Inc. for most of his career, where he retired after making dozens of great friends in the business. He loved being outdoors and was an avid and skilled fisherman and golfer. He earned many fishing trophies and two separate awards for a 'hole-in-one' at Ringgold Golf Club. He loved all sports and played baseball for his Navy team while stationed in California.

Of all of his accomplishments, he was most proud of his five children and what

they meant to him. He will be terribly missed and has left a void in our hearts, but we celebrate as the gates of heaven open to welcome him home.

The family wishes to thank J.W.'s dear friends and faithful caregivers Daisy Brandon and Jennifer Statzer; Ringgold Volunteer Fire & Rescue; Hallmark Home Health staff; GoDocs staff; and the many friends who have been with them on this journey for the past few months. They are forever grateful for your support, compassion, and love for their beloved dad.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Ringgold Volunteer Fire & Rescue, online at www.ringgoldfirerescue.com or by mail at P. O. Box 10, Ringgold, VA 24586.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Ringgold Baptist Church on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 2:00pm with the Reverend Duane Caldwell and the Reverend Ryan Call officiating. Interment will follow at Floral Hills Memory Gardens with military honors conducted by the US Navy. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service and at other times will be at the residence, 465 Sandy Creek Church Road, Ringgold, VA 24586.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Wilkinson family.

Cemetery Details

Floral Hills Memory Gardens
1665 South Boston Rd Danville, VA 24540

Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Entire Family:*

I wish to convey my sincere sympathy in the loss of your Dear Family member.

My thoughts and prayers shall be with all of you during this difficult time.



Gerald Gibson - May 02, 2018 at 08:30 AM

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“ *David and Cathy Malone and Daisy Brandon purchased the Share the Health for the family of John Wister "J.W." Wilkinson Jr..*



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