

Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs

January 31, 1933 - July 15, 2017

Ronald Riggs, 84, husband of Donna E. Riggs, of 210 Elizabeth Circle, passed away Saturday, July 15, 2017, at Manna Health and Rehab.

A native of Middlebourne, WV Mr. Riggs was the son of the late Ora Carson and Ida Fuchs Riggs. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, having served during the Korean War as a Radioman Third Class. He worked for Ormet Corp., P.P.G., First Presbyterian Church in Sistersville, WV, and retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a Letter Carrier after 22 years.

Mr. Riggs was a member of Bethel Presbyterian Church, where he sang in the choir, served for many years on the board of the Oconee Presbyterian Service Fund, and was a behind-the-scenes person for many activities there, as well as assisting in serving Holy Communion to the elderly. He was attending the West Union Presbyterian Church in recent years.

An outdoorsman, Mr. Riggs pursued gardening, bird feeding and the tending of flowering shrubs, trees and roses in his retirement. Welcoming his growing family was his great joy, as they all called him "Grandpa." Family, friends and church family were always special in his eyes and heart.

In addition to his wife of 58 years, Mr. Riggs is survived by his sons: Brad (April) and Andy (Penny) both of Walhalla; brother: Joseph (Ginny) of Slippery

Rock, PA; sisters: Cathryn (Ed) Amos of Sistersville, WV; Ruth Lawlis of Salem, WV; grandchildren: Josh, Brooke, Brett, Tyler, Mikayla, Lucas, Sarah, Bayleigh and Braxtyn; Sisters in law Nellie Riggs and Gale Bradfield; and twenty-seven nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Riggs the youngest of fifteen children, was preceded in death by his brothers: George, Jim, Nile, and Bill Riggs, and Albert and Ernest Fuchs; sisters: Alberta Jemison, Nina Solomon, Geraldine Long, Callie Fuchs and Evelyn Mercer.

Funeral services will be conducted 4:00 PM, Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at West Union Presbyterian Chapel with burial to follow at Bethel Presbyterian Church Cemetery with full Military Honors.

The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 PM, Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at Davenport Funeral Home.

Flowers are accepted or memorials may be made to; Oconee Presbyterian Service Fund, Seneca Presbyterian Church, 115 West South First Street, Seneca, SC 29678 or the DAR School, P.O. Box 8, Tamassee, SC 29686.

The family is at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Bethel Presbyterian Church Cemetery

580 Bethel Church Road
Walhalla, SC 29691
info@bethelchurchwalhalla.com
<http://bethelchurchwalhalla.com/contact/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **18**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
(864) 638-3611
davenportfhome@gmail.com
<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Alan And Debbie Houtzer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Alan and Debbie Houtzer - July 20, 2017 at 05:26 PM



“ *jess&marcella langston*



jess&marcella langston - July 19, 2017 at 08:19 AM



“ *Brad, April, Andy, Penny & the grands, you all in our thoughts and prayers during this time. May God Bless you and keep you. Love to you all.*

Billy & Donna

DONNA LUSK - July 18, 2017 at 03:53 PM



Donna, Brad, April, Andy, Penny and the family you are all in my thoughts and prayers!

Lisa Grant - July 17, 2018 at 03:54 PM

BL

“ *Billy & Donna Lusk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Billy & Donna Lusk - July 18, 2017 at 03:52 PM

FF

“ *From the Long Family purchased the Dawn of Remembrance Basket for the family of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs .*



From the Long Family - July 18, 2017 at 02:44 PM

MT

“ *I will never forget the couple of times spent with Mr. Riggs and his family watching the Cardinals play the Braves. Sorry for your loss and you will be in my prayers. He was fortunate to have such a strong family beside him not only through the tough times but all of the good times as well.*

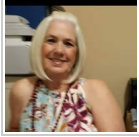
Matthew Traynham - July 18, 2017 at 10:28 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs .*



July 18, 2017 at 09:24 AM



“ *Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Kathy Addis - July 18, 2017 at 08:16 AM

RB

“ *Donna, you and your children are in my prayers. Ron fought a good and long fight, but now he can rest in peace and happiness with God.*



Rosemary Bailes - July 17, 2017 at 10:22 PM

RP

“ *Brad, Andy and family, I am sorry to hear about your loss. I will keep you in my prayers.*

Rick Pancake - July 17, 2017 at 08:28 PM

KL

“ *Keith & Louise Lusk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Keith & Louise Lusk - July 17, 2017 at 07:12 PM

PG

“ *Phil And Debbie Garrett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Phil and Debbie Garrett - July 17, 2017 at 06:40 PM

WB

“ *Wayne Barton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Wayne Barton - July 17, 2017 at 04:28 PM

JH

“ *Judy Hines lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Judy Hines - July 17, 2017 at 04:28 PM

TT

“ *Terry & Jamie Tilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald O'Neal Riggs*



Terry & Jamie Tilson - July 17, 2017 at 03:56 PM