



Ernest Courtland Freeman Jr.

July 16, 1937 - January 25, 2021

Ernest Courtland Freeman Jr., of Bradenton, Florida, passed away at his home on January 25, 2021 surrounded by his loving family.

Born on July 16, 1937 in Skygusty, West Virginia, “Ernie” was the son of the late Ernest C. Freeman Sr. and Maggie B. Freeman. Ernie served in the U. S. Air Force from 1955 to 1959 and received his formal education in Engineering from the Columbia Technical School of Northern Virginia. He later would work for the U.S. Federal Government in Washington, D.C. for over 30 years and ended his career at the Department of Energy serving as an Engineering Program Manager. Ernie loved spending time with his family and many friends, and enjoyed the outdoors, especially going back to the family cabin in the West Virginia mountains, camping, boating, motorcycle riding and hunting. He was a founding member of the Southern Maryland Hunt Club; a member and officer of the Izaak Walton League of Hughesville and a member of the Waldorf Elks Lodge. After retirement, Ernie became an avid golfer and spent time in Maryland, North Carolina and Florida. Ernie was fortunate to have traveled the world with his loving wife Mary Jane, making many new memories and friends on each adventure.

In addition to his parents, Ernie was preceded in death by two brothers, Curtis Freeman and Johnnie Freeman and three sisters, Cledia Day, Betty Garay and Pearl O’Dell. He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane Freeman; daughters

Kimberly Ransom (David), Terry Orlandi (Dan), Laurie Freeman (Cindy), and Kelly Guy (Mike); seven grandchildren Cammie Quigley (Chris), Colin Ransom, Julie Johnson (Josh), Dylan Ransom (Nicole), Elisa Lewis (Clayton), Courtlyn Guy and Kendall Guy; one sister Kitty Moxley and one brother Eugene Freeman as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2021 at 9:30am, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00am at Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Newburg, Maryland. Due to Covid restrictions, attendance is by invitation only; masks are required and social distancing will be in place.

Interment to follow Mass in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Ladies of Charity, Holy Ghost Catholic Church, 15848 Rock Point Road, Newburg, Maryland 20664 or Tidewell Hospice Group of Ellenton, Florida Tidewellfoundation.org/donate.

Tribute Wall



“ Ernest Courtland Freeman Jr.

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ Ernest Courtland Freeman Jr.

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ernest Courtland Freeman Jr..



February 04, 2021 at 09:53 PM



“ To know Ernie was a gift you will cherish forever. He was always the gentleman. He loved to sing and mostly Johnny Cash. He truly loved his family. I remember when we had lunch at the restaurant that had the snakes, we were outside and he said " I love that woman ".

Pearl - February 04, 2021 at 10:01 AM

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“ Ernie loved his little spitfire "MJ" and his daughters. We were lucky enough to be part of their circle in River Strand, biking, golfing, countless parties at the club. MJ and Ernie hosting Super Bowl parties at their place. A great dancer, loved music. A gentle man, a friend. Mary Jane, our sympathies to you and family.

Tom and Gisèle

Gisele Savoie - February 02, 2021 at 06:23 PM

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Ernie will be sorely missed by all the Ladies of Charity at Holy Ghost. He kept our strength and spirit strong helping us each year with our fundraiser Yard Sale. Thank you Mary Jane for sharing him with us. God bless Ernie, Mary Jane and their family. Forever in our thoughts and prayers. 🙏🙏❤️

peggy campbell - February 05, 2021 at 08:45 PM

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“ We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of Ernie! Every memory we have of him is a reflection of the gentle, intelligent gentleman he was. My favorite memories are of Ernie helping the Ladies of Charity with our yard sale; of Ernie attending our meetings with Mary Jane; and of Ernie helping Fred sell car raffle tickets for the Knights at one of our LOC yard sales and Mary Jane's reaction when she found out! And of course, Ernie's smile! Ernie will always have a place in our hearts. How very fortunate Ernie was to have lived his life with such a loving and caring soulmate - their love is truly an example of what love should be! Ernie, Mary Jane, and your family are in our prayers.

Diane & Fred Davis

Diane Davis - February 01, 2021 at 06:08 PM