



## Gerald "Gerry" Wayne Davis

March 21, 1928 - April 2, 2016

Gerald Wayne Davis "Gerry", 88 of Welcome, MD, passed away peacefully in his home on Saturday, April 2, 2016. He was born March 21, 1928 in Nuremburg, PA, the son of the late Wallace W. Davis and Susan Irene Hauck Davis. He was also preceded in death by his brothers and their wives, Marvin and Lucretia Davis and Franklin and Mable Davis.

After serving four years in the United States Navy, he came back to Washington, DC and finished his education. He began teaching in Charles County, when offered more money he left the classroom for two years. Prince Georges offered him a position and he returned to the classroom to teach, which was a great love of his. Six years later he returned to Charles County to oversee the construction of the Charles County Vocational Technical Center in Pomfret, MD. He served as the supervisor for all vocational programs in the Charles County until his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Pritchett Crist Davis ("Pritchie") of 58 years; their children, Dorothy Susan Davis Willing ("Susie") and Wallace LeMerton Davis; Susie's son, Gerald Orem Masri ("Gerry") and his wife Nina and their children Brett T. Masri and Carlymae B. Masri; and Wally and his wife Roberta Davis and their children, Robert W. Davis, Jessica D. Corbin and her husband Donte Corbin, and Kristen L. Davis, and Joshua J. Davis and his daughter Olivia Davis.

Friends received on Thursday, April 7, 2016, from 10AM until time of Funeral Service at 12PM at the La Plata United Methodist Church, 3 Port Tobacco Road, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Interment on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 1PM at MD Veterans Cemetery (Cheltenham, MD). Arrangements by Raymond Funeral Service.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to La Plata United Methodist Church Food Bank, 3 Port Tobacco Road, La Plata, MD 20646 or to Hospice of Charles County, 2505 Davis Road, Waldorf, MD 20603.

# Cemetery Details

## MD Veterans Cemetery - Cheltenham, MD

11301 Crain Highway  
Cheltenham, MD 20623

# Previous Events

## Friends Received

APR 7. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

La Plata United Methodist Church  
3 Port Tobacco Rd.  
La Plata, MD MD  
<http://laplataumc.org/>

## Service

APR 7. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald "Gerry" Wayne Davis*

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October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Gerald "Gerry" Wayne Davis*

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October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *We couldn't have asked for a better Grandpa! He was one of the most influential, supportive, caring, Intelligent and loving people ive ever been lucky enough to know. It has been a blessing to grow up under your wing. I will love and miss you always, and I will forever cherish all of my memories with you. Until we meet again, Jess.*

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**Jessica Corbin** - April 07, 2016 at 09:03 PM

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“Gerry hired me to teach Industrial Arts at the brand new John Hanson Middle School, Charles County in 1972. He designed a very progressive industrial arts classroom which was key to my being interested in working in Charles County. My friend and colleague Ken Smith had just walked into our advisor's office at the University of Maryland with the intent to make our advisor aware that we were interested in getting a job at the same school when the phone rang. It was Gerry on the line. He told our advisor that he was looking for a team of industrial arts instructors to teach at the new facility. To make a long story short, Ken and I were interviewed and were hired. I spent my whole career, 32 years, teaching at John Hanson. Ken later moved to the Central Office as an assistant to the Career and Technology Education Supervisor in Charles County, Gerry's former position. Ken later became the Supervisor of Career and Technology Education in St. Mary's County. With Gerry's support, Ken and I developed a progressive industrial arts program at John Hanson that became a showcase for the school and the county. A number of student teachers trained under us and became industrial arts instructors in Charles County. A number of them finished their careers there. Quite a legacy. Without Gerry's support and vision, none of this would have occurred. He was a great leader and was very supportive. Thanks to Gerry, I had a long and satisfying career. Rest in peace, Gerry, and thanks ever so much. -Steve Crescenze

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**Steve Crescenze** - April 05, 2016 at 01:57 AM