



Ralph Dixon Connatser

November 1, 1932 - April 29, 2016

Ralph Dixon Connatser, 83 of La Plata, Maryland died April 29, 2016 at his residence.

Ralph was a Veteran of the United States Navy, having served from 1952-1956 and was a communications specialist at the Department of the Defense (U.S. Government) for 38 years. He enjoyed cruises and taking care of his house and yard.

He was the son of William Harrison Connatser and Shirley Dixon Connatser. He was also predeceased by his daughter, Rebecca D. Connatser.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ina Lee McGinnis Connatser. He is also survived by his son, Ralph D. Connatser, Jr.; his daughter, Phyllis A. Hamilton; his brothers, Coy Connatser and wife Carolyn, Frank Connatser and wife Mildred, and Herman Connatser and wife Katie; and his grandchild, Daniel Cather.

Funeral Services will be private.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or the American Heart Association, 4217 Park Place Court, American Heart Association Building, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Dixon Connatser*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Ralph Dixon Connatser*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *I was 10 years younger than Ina. And when Ina and Ralph were dating in high school, oh, I was a real little devil. I pretended not to like him. When he came over, I would stick pins (upward) in the chair where I knew he would sit. Then, we were always wrestling around. I think he usually had bruises on his arms and legs where I would pinch him.*

Of course, I really liked him. I often visited them in Washington/Maryland after they were married and came up to babysit Phyllis during the summer when she was little. Ralph was like a second brother to me and John and I will miss him. We loved him very much.

Margaret Goforth - May 08, 2016 at 06:50 PM



“ *It has been said that, "Wherever a good soul has walked, there is a trail of beautiful memories to follow".*

Ralph was a good neighbor & there when needed.

Dianne & Chuck Goodrich - May 06, 2016 at 09:08 AM

“ My deepest condolences to Ina, Phyllis, Ralph, Jr., and family during this season of grieving, sorrow, reflection, and most importantly hope of being rejoined through the saving grace of our sweet Saviour Jesus Christ.

I have many fond memories of Ralph or "Mr. Connatser" as I addressed him as a child growing up across the street in Clinton, Maryland.

Ralph was a devoted and selfless friend to my family, and especially my Dad, Bud Poynor. Ralph was always willing to help him, whether it was picking up a hammer, digging with a shovel or driving a dump truck while Bud was building his dam for the lake and log cabin. No matter the job, Ralph joined in with a smile. I never heard him complain.

My parents, Bud and Gail Poynor, recall many fond memories, including births of children, sickness and expressions of friendship. My parents share many cruise and excursion memories. I especially like to hear them recall their Alaskan cruise adventures, such as white water rafting, a helicopter ride to see glaciers, and the infamous midnight ice cream run when it was bright as daylight.

I'll never forget the morning when Ralph and my Dad showed up to my door with carpenter tools eager to fix my kitchen cabinet that had collapsed the prior night. They were like angels to my rescue.

Cherish his good memories.

Philippians 4:8b (NLBT) "...Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise."

My prayer for the Connatser family is that you would be filled with His peace that passes all understanding.

*With love and deepest sympathy,
Cindy (Poynor) Hancock*

Cindy Hancock - May 04, 2016 at 11:41 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences to Ralph and Mrs. Connatser. Mr. Connatser was a very nice man. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

Karen Brown

Karen - May 03, 2016 at 09:15 AM