



David William Meadows

February 17, 2021

David William Meadows, 88, a life-long resident of Clendenin, West Virginia, passed away on February 17, 2021, after a short illness. Mr. Meadows is survived by his son Mike Meadows and daughter Teresa Callen (Jeff), both of Clendenin, and daughter Jennifer Clark (Tom) of Charleston, grandchildren Jeremy Callen (Michelle), Jason Callen (Elizabeth), Leah Taylor (B.J.), Sheri Meadows, Matt Meadows, Cora Clark and Catie Clark and great-grandchildren Kennedy Callen, Kendra Callen, Mahalie Hargis, Zach Callen-Taylor (Katelyn), Brooke Taylor, Dalton Taylor, Tyler Ferguson, Ethan Meadows and Lillian Meadows and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Ulderich Meadows, mother of Mike and Teresa, and his second wife, Patricia Spurlock Meadows, mother of Jennifer, as well as his mother and father, Mary Naylor Meadows and Huey V. Meadows, brother Huey and sister Dorothy Harris.

David was a proud son of Clendenin, long-time member of the Welford, Bufflick-Welford and Clendenin United Methodist Churches, and always willing to tell stories about the renowned basketball teams of Clendenin High School and the fact that Union Carbide Corporation was founded there.

He started his work life in the 7th grade, delivering newspapers, a job he kept until his senior year in high school. David estimated that he walked more than 2,000 miles delivering newspapers over the years to more than 200 customers. After helping Clendenin's first Kroger store (a grocery store, not a supermarket, as David liked to say) and two movie theaters find success both during and after graduating high school, David moved on to work for Union Carbide until his retirement, staying for nearly 40 years and training many young engineers in how things really worked.

In retirement, he became more involved in the church, including a long tenure in the choir, and organizing the all-class reunions of Clendenin High School. For several years, David was known to travel to community and civic events in Clendenin, bringing along a video

camera to record the festivities and make copies available to anyone that asked. His ability to fix anything, usually in an unconventional way, was well-known around town and freely extended to anyone who needed help.

David was most proud of the house that he built with his own two hands in Clendenin. He could tell you every vendor that provided him supplies, how much he paid for every item in the construction and every friend that stopped by to help. Fifty years later, everything in the house works just fine. The quality of construction of the house is a testament to the quality of the man that built it.

Stories and condolences can be shared online at www.maticsfuneralhome.com. Due to Covid-19, a private funeral service will be held for the immediate family. In memory of David and his love for and dedication to his community, please consider making a contribution to 25045 - A New Clendenin Inc., Elk River Trail Foundation or another group of good-hearted, well-intentioned people working to make your community a better place. Online condolences may be expressed at maticsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery

Clover Ridge Cemetery

Clover, WV,

Comments



“ I was a neighbor of the MEADOWS family, They feed ,clothed and directed me, I tried to follow his brother thru life, until I thought I knew everything, I don't remember a whole lot, for DAVE was much older took a job @ KROGERS, when it was located on main street of Clendenin. Dave was a great neighbor, brother, mentor to me! My family lived next door to his mother, which took care of me until I was about 18-19 yrs, I saw him when he ever come around, now being older and (reminiscing) I was his and Junior, follower during this time of life, they took me to me to CHURCH, my family was not devoted to the Christian life, when I was around three years old I spent my days with their mother MARY, and when I was about 4-5 yr old, AUNT MARY's Sister Ruby and John Dennis Bird took me raised me the best they could, put me thru school, feed and clothed me, then "SLIM" and MARY moved to FLORIDA because of old age and staying close to Hershel and Dorothy!

REST IN PEACE my brother!
Melvin Lee Rhodes (change of name) BIRD

bird.melvin87@gmail.com - February 22 at 07:29 AM



“ Dave was a great guy and a dear friend I am so sorry for your loss .

Debbie Haynes - February 20 at 06:57 PM



“ So sorry to read this he was a great man I have miss him so much he was a dear special friend I will never forget,him, prayers for the family

Rosalie Davis - February 20 at 06:50 PM