



John W. Feller

November 21, 1922 - May 2, 2013

John W. "Jack" Feller, 90, died peacefully on May 2, 2013, at his home on 12 Ridgeview Drive, Mullens. He was a lifelong resident of Mullens, except for the time he was a student at West Virginia University, serving his country in the US Army Air Corps during World War II, and working for several insurance companies. Jack was born on November 21, 1922 in Beckley. He was the son of the late Charles Vic Feller and Genevieve Wyand Feller. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his deeply loved first wife of 58 1/2 years, Margaret E. "Peggy" Cullington Feller, who died in 2008 and an older brother, Captain Charles Harry Feller, an Army Air Corps pilot killed in action in France in 1944 during World War II. The family he leaves behind includes his loving and devoted wife, Marion Brooks Feller; sons, Charles T. Feller and his wife, Victoria, and John Steven Feller, all of Mullens; and grandchildren, Derek S. Feller and his fiancée, Kayla Vaught, Brent T. Feller and Logan Marie Feller Collinsworth and her husband, Andrew, all of Beckley. Jack graduated from Mullens High School in 1940 where he lettered in football and baseball. He then attended West Virginia University until 1942 when he enlisted in the US Army Corps, rising to the rank of Staff Sargent, serving with the Eighth Air Force in England and then with the Ninth Air Force in occupied Germany. (Jack and his family made numerous trips back to his Debach, England air base where he was instrumental in the reconstruction of the control tower, where he served.) He then returned to WVU where he graduating in 1948 and then worked for several insurance companies before returning to Mullens in 1952 to join his father in the CV Feller Insurance Agency until he retired in 1982. Jack was a lifelong member of the First Presbyterian Church of Mullens where he served as Deacon, Elder, and Clerk of Session. For over six decades he was a member of Masonic Lodge #151 AF&AM, Beni Kedem Shrine, American Legion Post # 106, Lions Club, Loyal Order of the Moose, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8238, and Mullens Area Chamber of Commerce. Active in community service Jack served as Secretary of the Wyoming County Airport Authority while it was being built, director of the Coal Field Expressway, and Davis Stewart Orphanage as well as Little League and American Legion baseball programs. After compiling and writing numerous books on the history of Mullens, Jack was named a West Virginia History Hero and a local railroad museum is named in his honor. Funeral services will be 12:00 Noon, Sunday, May 5, 2013 at the First

Presbyterian Church of Mullens with Rev. Tracy French officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park Memorial Mausoleum, Beckley. The family will receive visitors from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Saturday, May 4, 2013 at the church and one hour prior to services Sunday. Members of Mullens Masonic Lodge #151 will serve as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Carl Green, William "Sarge" McGhee, Lewis D'Antoni, Bill Lester, Orion Morgan, John Tice, Ray Roop, Morris Lusk, Joe Hill, and Joe Parsons. In lieu of flowers, donations of sympathy may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Mullens P.O. Box 826 Mullens, WV 25882. The family of John "Jack" Feller is being cared for by Tankersley Funeral Home, Mullens.

Comments



“ On behalf of all the members of the 493rd Bombardment Group Association, I would like to pass on our sympathy to Marion and all the family. Jack will be missed by all of us and everyone at Debach.

David Schmitt - June 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Sincere sympathy to Jack's family. Jack was a faithful friend to the Friends of the Virginian Railway. Ever giving and sharing his knowledge with others.

His presence will surely be missed.

Jeff Sanders - May 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Our very sincere sympathy to Jack's family. He was always kind to us.

Keith Bellamy

Dr. Keith & Diane Bellamy - May 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Charles and Steve I am sorry to hear about the lose of your father. I have a lot of fond memories of your dad. The camping trips and all the rides to the basketball games. Your family is in my prayers.

Tom Sarver - May 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Charles and family, My thoughts are with you and your family as you say good-bye to your father. He lived a good life. With deepest sympathy, Miki Murphree Oliver

Miki Oliver - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ A friend and mentor. My sympathies to his family.

Tom Salmon - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Charlie and Steve, you have my deepest sympathy. Your dad was a great man who I know will be sorely missed by all who had the priveledge of knowing him. I am truly sorry for your loss.

Jim Talerico - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept my condolences and prayers at this difficult time. Please know that Jack is in the hands of our loving Father and is rejoicing. He was always a kind, gracious gentleman who tried to help others. I pray God grants you peace during the days

Rhonda Blankenship - May 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ ron and I are so sorry for your loss, jack was a wonderful men the town of mullens is going to truly miss him.. our hearts go out to you all if there is anything we can do please let us know... prayers being sent your way...

kim and ron johnson - May 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry to hear of Jack's passing. I have fond memories during my work days in Mullens. Enjoyed his "history" stories. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Janice Wiblin - May 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM