



Phineas Lee Dorsey

February 12, 1932 - January 22, 2023

Phineas Lee Dorsey, 90, of Bunker Hill, WV passed away on January 22, 2023. The tenth of thirteen children, Phineas was born to Lawrence Fries and Zetta Matilda Dorsey on February 12, 1932. A graduate of John Handley High School, he participated in both FFA and the Honor Guard.

He served in the Air Force, maintaining the radar navigation system on the B-47 Bomber for 4 years, and served for over 31 years with the West Virginia Air National Guard, with duties including maintaining aircraft, implementing and operating telecommunications systems for the 167th ANG as well as telecommunication coordination with the National Guard Bureau. His final roles included Superintendent of Ground Communications, 167th Communications Flight, 167th Aeromedical Wing, before retiring with a rank of Senior Master Sgt.

“Finny” enjoyed camping, canoeing, harvesting hay, operating his sawmill, observing wildlife on his farm and pond, as well as maintaining and restoring tractors. He would take his own “Fergie” or Cub tractors to area farm and tractor shows, and was a member of Mountaineer Hunt Club and Bunker Hill United Methodist Church.

Mr. Dorsey is survived by daughters Karen(Jim), Kathy(Doug), Michelle(Rick), and grandchildren Stephanie(Charlie), J.D.(Caroline), Josh, Andrea(Dave),

Matthew(Candace), Megan, Amanda(Mike), Ricky, Casey(Steve), and Billy Ray. He is also survived by great-grandchildren Frank, Andrew, Hunter, Desyrae, Emma, Kinsleigh, Mason, Zoey, Piper, Marguerite, Evan, and Everly, a sister, Sue Merriner, brothers Chauncey and B.B., and also his loyal canine companion, Timber.

He was predeceased by one son, Mark, nine siblings, and the mother of his children, Emmagene Dorsey.

A memorial service will be held February 13, 2023 at Phelps Funeral Chapel, 311 Hope Drive, Winchester at 2:00 PM, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Inurnment will follow in Mt. Hebron Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of the Panhandle, 330 Hospice Ln., Kearneysville, WV 25430.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hebron Cemetery

305 East Boscawen Street
Winchester, VA 22601
(540) 662-4868

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

Phelps Funeral & Cremation Service
311 Hope Dr
Winchester, VA 22601
(540) 722-2424
travislnesselrodt@gmail.com
<https://phelpsfunerals.com>

Tribute Wall

KD

“ Sorry for you loss, keeping the families in our prayers
Joe and Kathy Davis

Kathy Davis - January 30, 2023 at 09:57 AM

JR

“ Karen, Kathy, Michelle and family. I am sorry to hear of your
Father's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Janet Brill Russell - January 29, 2023 at 10:26 AM

MH

“ Rest in peace Old Buddy 🙏🙏🙏

Michael Hudson - January 29, 2023 at 07:21 AM

JA

“ Finny gave me my first full time job in the Air Guard, I will always be
grateful, what a gentleman he was...

James Acly - January 28, 2023 at 12:48 PM