



Jack E. Powell

December 9, 1927 - February 12, 2018

Jack was a kind and loving husband and father who is survived by his wife of 67 years, Phyllis Powell; his daughters Pam(Mike) Skinner and Ernelee(Jeff) McDonald; and three grandchildren, Katie(Jordan) Elasky, Kyle(Maggie)Skinner, and Colin McDonald. Jack was preceded in death by his parents Anna and Ben Powell of Portsmouth Ohio and siblings Ernelee Hurt, Jean Gardner, and Richard Powell. Richard's wife and five children live in the Seattle area of Washington State.

Jack was born in Portsmouth, Ohio. At 17 he joined the U. S. Coast Guard and served on several Merchant Marine ships till the end of WWII. On a blind date, he fell for "a gorgeous red headed woman" who became the love of his life. They were married shortly afterward, living in Portsmouth for a short time, and then moved to Mansfield, Ohio. He joined the Mansfield Fire Department where he served for 30 years as a Captain. He personally saved the lives of several people and was honored by the governor twice for his heroism. His second love was training others to be firemen. He was sought after by volunteer fire departments across the state to help them establish safe and effective fire fighting.

Jack's battle with Alzheimer's did not rob him of his character. He continued to be kind and loving to our mother and his quick wit in response to joking and comments endeared him to everyone he met. He could always make you smile. In his memory we ask in lieu of flowers, that you donate to the Alzheimer Association or to a charity of your choice.

He will be greatly missed, but heaven is a richer place with him.

Friends may call at the RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME IN POWELL on Tuesday February 20. 2018 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, where a funeral service will be held at 11:00 am. A private interment with Military Honors provided by the US Coast Guard will be held at the Dayton National Cemetery, Dayton, Ohio.

Cemetery Details

Dayton National Cemetery

Dayton, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jack E. Powell*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *God Bless/RIP. A heartfelt Thank YOU, Jack for your service in WWII. The USA would NOT be as it is today. I treasure the freedoms for which YOU fought.. And Semper Fi.*



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMCR - February 16, 2018 at 06:41 AM