



## Garvin Fredrick "Fred" Graham

September 28, 1931 - January 14, 2024

Fred Graham 92, of Blacksburg was born in Montgomery County on September 28, 1931. He passed away, peacefully, at home on Sunday, January 14, 2024. Fred was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years Peggy Duncan Graham; son Marvin Graham; parents Hubert and Minnie Cooper Graham, brothers Tom, Earl, Harry, and John Graham; sisters Ina Price, Clara Schnell, Ethel Neighbors, and Dolly Long.

He is survived by his son James Graham (Sharon); daughter Lori Okes (Kraig); grandchildren Danielle Okes (Wayne Myers), Tiffany Roberts (Billy), Derrick Graham (Cheyanne), Bobby "BJ" Graham (Michelle), Ashley Meyer (Daniel), and Adrienne Mullins (Ted); sister-in-law Melva Hughes; 16 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; special niece Phyllis Price and special great-niece Michelle Hairfield (Benny)

Fred enlisted in the United States Army in 1953 at the very end of the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in 1955 with the rank of corporal. He was not drafted as two of his brothers were already serving but he chose to enlist to serve his country. He always told everyone joining the Army was the best decision he ever made. He learned many valuable lessons and passed them along to his children.

He worked as an electrician for several years and then went to work for

Radford Army Ammunition Plant as a pipe insulator. He retired from there in 1984. He enjoyed playing guitar and singing. He played music with several different gospel groups. He last attended Fairview Community Church. He was a very dedicated Christian and spent most of his last days reading the bible and listening to “preaching” as he called it on TV.

A funeral service will be conducted Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 2:00 pm in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel with the Reverend Jimmy Lee Price officiating. The family will receive friends at 1:00 pm before the service at McCoy Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers please make memorial contributions to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel  
150 Country Club Dr S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

## Funeral Service

JAN 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *McCoy Funeral Home Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Garvin Fredrick "Fred" Graham*



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**McCoy Funeral Home Inc** - January 17, 2024 at 03:30 PM

LD

*I sure will miss my hugs from Freddy Fred. Sending love and prayers for peace and comfort. He has a wonderful soul. He is One of my favorites* ❤️

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**Lindsay Duncan** - January 18, 2024 at 03:27 PM

SO

*I love this video. Thank you for sharing.*

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**Shannon Vaught O'Donnell** - January 23, 2024 at 05:49 PM

DM

“ Many fond memories of Uncle Fred through the years, too many to count. He was always soft-spoken, kind, and treated others with respect. For those who knew, and were close to him, nothing needs to be said for them to know what kind of son, brother, husband, and father he was. The way he lived his life speaks for itself. Even of recent, he always let me know that he loved me before we would end our conversations. He will truly be missed.

*To Lori, James, Danielle and the rest of the family, I'm sorry for your loss and love you.*

*Daryl*

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**Daryl Meredith** - January 18, 2024 at 06:45 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Garvin Fredrick "Fred" Graham.*



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January 17, 2024 at 10:50 PM

ML

“ *I know we will all miss Fred a lot, but we know he is with his Lord and Savior, Jesus so he is no longer suffering. I know he would want all of his loved ones who do not know Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior to be saved so they will be in heaven with him when they are called home as well. I pray for the peace that passes all understanding for the family as you go through this trying time and that you comfort one another. My thanks go out to Lorie and James for being there for Uncle Fred in these past years to help him in his time of need. May God Bless the entire family. Maynard Long.*

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**Maynard T. Long** - January 16, 2024 at 02:18 PM

CC

“ Jimmy I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing . I send love and sympathy to you and family. Carolyn Cooper Cromer

carolyn cromer - January 16, 2024 at 10:41 AM

DO

“ Sorry to hear about your dad's passing. Debbie and Keven Okes

Debbie Okes - January 16, 2024 at 09:52 AM