

Shelby Wicker Allen

September 10, 1922 – August 31, 2001

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SHELBY W. ALLEN

Shelby W. Allen, 78, of Hendersonville, N.C., formerly of Hinton, died Friday, Aug. 31 2001, at Clare Bridge Assisted Living Facility in Asheville, N.C.

He was born Sept. 10, 1922, at Hinton, the son of the late Ray and Madeline Wicker Allen.

Mr. Allen graduated from Hinton High School in 1940, and attended Marshall College in Huntington. He completed the apprenticeship as machinist at Norfolk Navy Yard in Portsmouth, VA. He served in the U. S. Merchant Marine during World War II and worked as a machinist for the C&O Railroad in Hinton from 1947 to 1953.

In 1953 he and his family moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked for General Electric as a service engineer until his retirement in 1986. He lived in Hamilton and Fairfield, Ohio, from 1954 to 1992. He and his wife moved to Hendersonville, where he was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church and the G. E. Elfun Society. He served as deacon, trustee and elder in the Hamilton Presbyterian Church. His hobbies were playing golf, tennis, bridge, hiking and traveling.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Joy Cales Allen; a son, Steven Allen and his wife, Barbara, of Tahlequah, Okla.; a daughter, Christine Parker and her husband, Stephen, of Monmouth Junction, N.J.; a sister, Mary Alice Phillips and her husband, Paul, of Cincinnati, Ohio; a brother, Donald Ray Allen and his wife, Myra, of Senota, GA.; a sister-in-law, June Ames of Hinton; four grandchildren, Eric and Kerry Allen and Andrew and Nathan Parker; two aunts, Lucile Weber of Hinton and Lenore Allen of Lewisburg; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Service were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday, September 4th. at Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors Chapel in Hinton with the Rev. Robert Glaser, retired minister of the First Presbyterian Church in Hinton, officiating. Burial followed in Restwood Memorial Garden Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Western North Carolina Chapter of Alzheimer's Association, 3 Louisiana Ave., Asheville, NC 28806.

Arrangements by Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlors, Hinton.