



James Harold Porterfield, Jr

September 23, 1942 – April 22, 2011

(From Pivont Funeral Home April 2011)

James Harold Porterfield, Jr., 68 of 314 Maple St. Hinton died at 3:50 p.m. Friday April 22, 2011 at Beckley A.R.H. Hospital following a long illness.

Born September 23, 1942 at Talcott, he was the son of Elvira Roach Porterfield of Hinton and the late James H. "Buck" Porterfield, Sr.

Mr. Porterfield graduated from Hinton High School in 1960. He was an honor student and an athlete and he was salutatorian of his graduating class and also president of the student body. Upon graduation, he won a Congressional appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy and graduated in 1964. After a 20 year Navy career that included two tours in Vietnam, he retired in 1984 with a rank of Commander. He then went to Lockheed Martin Corporation in Baltimore, Maryland as a computer systems analyst until returning to Hinton in 1999. While living in Hinton he was employed by the Summers County Board of Education as a substitute teacher. He held a Bachelor's degree in Engineering and a Master's degree in computer sciences.

He was preceded in death by his father James Harold "Buck" Porterfield. His first wife, Janet Dee Porterfield. One brother, Donald Keith "D.K." Porterfield.

He is survived by his mother, Elvira Roach Porterfield, and his wife, Lyn Carnaghi Porterfield, both of Hinton. One son, Matthew Porterfield & wife Cathianne of Farmington, DL. Two daughters, Christine Elizabeth Hayes & husband Patrick and Kerri Lynn Sprouse both of Bel Air, MD. One sister, Linda Bonshire & husband Bob of Fredericksburg, VA. One brother, Gerald "Gerry" Porterfield & wife Regina of Chesapeake, VA. Two step-daughters, Deanna Marie DeHaven & husband Paul of BelCamp, MD and Tammy Michelle Brokus & husband Jim of Bel Air, MD. Nine grandchildren also survive.

The body has been cremated and a memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday April 25, 2011 at Pivont Funeral Home Chapel in Hinton with Pastor Ronald Cobb officiating. Interment will be in Restwood Memorial Gardens in Hinton. Friends may call from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home.

Flowers will be accepted and also memorial contributions may be made to the Summers County Athletic Association.