



Ernest “Ernie” Robert Parry

June 26, 1920 – April 27, 2019

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Ernest “Ernie” Robert Parry, 98, passed away on April 27. He leaves behind his daughter, Carol Cross; granddaughter, Marie Daniel (Lee Daniel); and two cherished great-grandchildren, Carlie and Ivy Daniel. He has numerous nieces and nephews and an extended Cross family who loved and admired him.

Born and raised in Hinton, West Virginia, the son of John and Grace Parry, he resided in West Virginia most of his life. He was preceded in death by his childhood sweetheart, Juanita Farley Parry, whom he was married to for 70 years.

Our beloved Ernie was a part of America’s greatest generation. He bravely fought in WWII with the 6th Division Marine Corp in the last land battle of Japan. Although he did not talk much about his time spent there, he was a dedicated Marine and was proud of his service. After completing his military service, he began his career at Kroger as a clerk. His work ethic and friendly manner quickly escalated him to manager. He not only took pride in the company he worked for, but truly cherished the co-workers and customers he came in contact with during his time with Kroger. He was an active member of Mount Juliet United Methodist Church in Belle, West Virginia. He sang in the choir and served on the finance committee. After moving to Clemmons, he became a member of Clemmons First Baptist Church. He joined The Men’s Bible study where he met a group of extraordinary men. He lived his last four years at Clemmons Village II where he was well-loved and cared for by Kim, Wendy, Tracey, Charles, and many others.

Ernie lived a full life and had so many delightful stories to tell about being a Golden Glove boxer, keeping his younger brother, Raymond Parry, out of trouble, and playing golf. One of his proudest accomplishments was being one of the “11 Ironmen” and winning the West Virginia State Football Championship in 1937. One of the most enduring characteristics of Ernie was his loving and humble nature. He never met a stranger and loved all animals, especially dogs. He was a kind, thoughtful man that loved with his whole heart, especially Carlie and Ivy.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Hayworth-Miller Silas Creek Chapel with Rev. Don Harvey officiating. Interment will follow in Westlawn Gardens of Memory with full military honors. The family will receive friends one hour before the service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mt. Juliet United Methodist Church, 417 E. 4th Street Belle, WV 25015 or to Trellis Supportive Care, 101 Hospice Lane Winston-Salem, NC 27103.