



George W. Wymer

February 22, 1927 - November 12, 2020

Born a sharecropper's son in Fincastle, Virginia George was at home on a farm. He surrounded his life and homes with fruit trees, vegetables and flowers... a constant gardener who drew strength from his contact with the Earth. From his childhood in Shawsville to one of his favorite jobs as a young man in the hothouse florists near Fincastle, and finally, to his home of seven decades in Cresskill, there were always flowers, always vegetables, and always a budding family of children and grandchildren to be found in the gardens he planted.

George Washington Wymer, a longtime resident of Cresskill, and Ocean Grove, New Jersey; of Del Ray Beach, Florida, and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, is at rest. He was 93.

At the time of World War II, George did what many of his generation did—he dropped out of high school and joined the Army, serving with the First Infantry in Czechoslovakia & Germany. When the war ended, the second lieutenant was stationed in Governor's Island, New York City. He enrolled in Washington Irving High School, working on his GED, when he met the love of his life, Nancy Leone. Before the school term ended, his orders cut for a post in Fort Riley, Kansas, he proposed, and on June 5, 1949, they embarked on a 65-year journey of travel, laughter, tears, and adventures. George remained in the Army during the Korean War. Before he retired from the Army in 1953, Captain George Wymer had been awarded the Purple Heart, the Silver Star, the Grand Commander's Cross-Order of the Polish Restitution, and the Air

Medal with Oak Leaf clusters among other citations and honors. He finished his service in the Army National Guard, serving in Englewood, Teterboro and Old Bridge as the Battery Commander with Hercules and Nike Missiles. After his stint in the Army, George worked in sales, as a builder, as a building inspector for Paramus, as a construction manager for Bergen County's Community Development program, and as a construction official for the state of NJ. In this capacity, he oversaw the building of many state projects, among them the Hughes Justice Complex in Trenton, the state penitentiary in Newark, and the NJ Veteran's Nursing Home in Paramus. When he and his wife Nancy retired, he continued his work for the state by working in contract arbitration, until the lure of their grandchildren caused them to adopt the slogan "Keep on Truckin'" as they traveled from New Jersey to the Carolinas, California, and Florida. His last post was as caregiver for his Nancy, tending to her in the final years of her life—determined to keep her home and keep them together. In the last years of his retirement, George became an active member of the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 32 in Bergenfield. He was proud to be named Grand Marshal of the Cresskill Memorial Day Parade in 2019. George is predeceased by his devoted wife, Nancy (2015), his daughter Phyllis (1998), his brother Richard (1973), and his mother Betty (1970). He is survived by his other children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren: Phyllis' children Michele Curry & Christopher Curry & his wife Rebecca, & great-grandchildren Madison and Colin; son George Richard, & his children M.C., George Anthony, & great-granddaughter Daphne Rose; daughter Toni Wymer, her husband Michael Sollenberger & their children Matthew, Julia, & Ben; daughter Nancy P Wymer; son Vincent, his wife MaryEllen & their children Jessica, Vincent, & Nicholas; and many nieces & nephews from the Wymer, Savia, Leone, and Greco families.

Visitation at Volk-Leber Funeral Home in Oradell, NJ from (2:30 pm-7:30 pm) on Thursday, November 19. Funeral mass at St. Therese of Lisieux Church in Cresskill on Friday at 12 Noon. In lieu of flowers, a donation in his honor may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, and the Parkinson's Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Private

268 Kinderkamack Road
Oradell, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 2:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Oradell
268 Kinderkamack Rd.
Oradell, NJ 07649
(201) 261-1088
info@volkleber.com
<https://www.volkleber.com>

Funeral Mass

NOV **20**. 12:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux
220 Jefferson Ave.
Cresskill, NJ 07626

Tribute Wall



“ Volk Leber Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of George W. Wymer



Volk Leber Funeral Home - November 19, 2020 at 12:48 PM



“ George W. Wymer

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ George W. Wymer

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ George W. Wymer

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM

CG

“ I just heard of George's passing. I knew him because he and Nancy were clients at the physical therapy rehab where I work. Both of them were such nice people. George was a veteran proud of his country and service. He was always friendly and sometimes brought in snacks for the staff at the rehab. I know he is with his wife and in peace, but he will be greatly missed. My deepest condolences to George's family and friends. I am happy to have known George and Nancy Wymer. May they rest in peace.

Catherine Anne Galvin - January 20, 2021 at 04:32 PM

MB

“ When the Lord called George home, he left a gift of memories in exchange. George always had God in his corner.
Our deepest sympathy.
Maryann Barzelatto - facilitator - St Therese Bereavement group -
George was an integral part of our group, always told us of his love for Nancy

Maryann Barzelatto - November 18, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Video



Volk Leber Funeral Home - November 18, 2020 at 09:21 AM

TO

A beautiful tribute to Papa's life and memory

Toni - November 18, 2020 at 12:48 PM

TM

We will cherish our fabulous memories with your dad.

theresa matalone - November 18, 2020 at 10:17 PM

DD

A wonderful way to celebrate special moments in your dad's life and your own heart-warming memories of him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.

Diane DePalma - November 19, 2020 at 05:12 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of George W. Wymer.*



November 18, 2020 at 09:03 AM

WE

“ *Dear Nancy
I am so sorry to hear about your Dad, May you be comforted in the memories that you shared and please know that you are in our thoughts at this difficult time. Take good care.
Winnie and Family*

Winnie Earle - November 14, 2020 at 08:42 PM