



Mr. Morris Edward Crane

January 23, 2019

Morris “Duke” Crane, Jr. passed Fri, Jan 25, 2019, after a short battle with cancer. Born Nov 15, 1928 in Pascagoula, MS, Duke served 9 years in the US Navy Submarine Corps serving aboard the USS Medregal (SS-480). After an honorable discharge and a brief stint in the private sector, Duke resumed his DOD government service working at Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile, AL, maintaining USAF aircraft. There he met and married Helen Wilson, also an employee at Brookley. Duke received a transfer within the DOD as a DCAS quality control representative supervising the production of military boots at Wellco, relocating his family to Ashville and onto Jonathan Creek, NC. Duke received a DOD promotion to head the QC staff at Nuclear Fuels Services in Erwin, TN, until his retirement in 1984.

Residing 32 yrs in Whispering Pines, Johnson City, TN, Duke enjoyed bonding with friends and neighbors as a UCHS band parent, an avid Elks Lodge member, an avid supporter of the Jerry Pierce Band, and as a houseboat owner / “captain” on Watauga Lake at Lakeshore Marina G-Dock. Duke and Helen moved back to AL where they enjoyed retirement years with family and friends. After the death of his wife of 54 yrs, Duke moved to The Waterford of Smyrna, TN, where he made new friends and gave his two daughters the joy of their father’s company.

Preceded in death by father Morris Crane Sr, mother Mary Estelle “Stella” (Grant), brother Richard (Sue Crane), and sister Lois (Leo Siebert). Survived by brother Robert Leslie “Les” Crane (Janet & Marilyn), daughters Debra (Ted

Pedulla) & Danna (David Borders), granddaughters Kathryn & Bailey, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial service Sat, Feb 23, Pine Rest Funeral Home, Foley, AL. Visitation 10AM. Service 11AM. Interment to follow.

Cemetery Details

Pine Rest Memorial Park

16541 US-98
Foley, AL 36535
(251) 943-5667

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Morris Edward Crane*

October 04, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ *Mr. Morris Edward Crane*

November 08, 2022 at 06:34 PM

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“ To Debra and Danna and the family and friends of Morris Edward Crane, Jr. SA,

On behalf of the United States Submarine Veterans - USSVI, please accept our sincere condolences at Morris's passing. You and your loved ones are in our thoughts and prayers. May you find kindness to warm you, sympathy to comfort you, and cherished memories to bring peace to your heart.

We are forever grateful for Duke's service to our country in the United States Submarine service. Morris served on the USS Medregal (SS-480). To our Brother of the Phin we say, "Sailor, rest your oar. We have the watch."

"Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always in every way." 2 Thessalonians 3:16.

Crane, Jr., Morris , SA, US Navy, now on Eternal Patrol -- Fair Winds and Following Seas to our departed shipmate. Morris's record is posted online in the Eternal Patrol file on the USSVI website.

Rev. Ray Fritz, EM1(SS) - Acting National Chaplain United States Submarine Veterans, USSVI and assistant Carolina Piedmont Base, USSVI (803-619-1121), Raysabode@bellsouth.net

Raymond Fritz - February 19, 2019 at 06:30 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Morris Edward Crane.



February 19, 2019 at 11:41 AM

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“ Debra and Danna and families, Chuck Edney and I are so sad to read that Duke has passed. We adored both Duke and Helen, They were unique and irreplaceable, even among their friends. Your Dad was the government inspector when I worked at NFS and I always looked forward to his observations of the PT lab practices. Later we would see each other at the Elks Club and we always had a good time. Your Mom's laugh is unforgettable. I wish you love and peace in memory.

Gloria Harrell and Chuck Edney

Gloria Harrell - February 16, 2019 at 01:37 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray* was purchased for the family of Mr. Morris Edward Crane.



February 15, 2019 at 01:50 PM