



## Douglas Evans

August 20, 1920 - March 22, 2012

Bluefield, VA - Douglas Evan Evans, 91, of 605 Fairway Drive, Bluefield, Virginia died suddenly on March 22, 2012 at Bluefield Regional Medical Center, following a brief illness. He was born on August 20, 1920 in McDowell County, West Virginia to the late Fava Naff Evans and Gretta Marie Evans. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 48 years, Wanda Shrewsberry Evans, in 1994, his brother Eugene R. Evans, and his sister, Natalie Berliner. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. He graduated from Princeton High School in 1936, at the age of 15, and was the valedictorian of his class. He attended National Business College in Roanoke, Virginia, where he studied bookkeeping and accounting. He worked for Pocahontas Fuel Company as a bookkeeper. Shortly after the United States entered the Second World War, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He served proudly in the Pacific Theatre, participating in the Aleutian Campaign. He was honorably discharged in 1945, having earned the rank of sergeant. After the war, he returned to West Virginia. He married the love of his life, Wanda Shrewsberry in 1946. That same year he joined the Internal Revenue Service as an Agent in the Audit Division. He was stationed in Clarksburg, West Virginia for several years. He was then assigned to the IRS office in Bluefield. In 1956, he was appointed Group Supervisor of the Audit Division for Southern West Virginia. He served in that capacity until his retirement from government service in 1973. While serving with the IRS, he sat for the CPA examination, successfully passing it in 1962. He received the

Albert Gallatin Award from the U.S. Treasury Department in 1973. Following his retirement from the IRS, he established his own private accounting practice, which he operated for several years. He was also involved as a principal in the oil and gas industry, successfully developing and operating numerous natural gas wells in the Appalachian Basin. He was an avid golfer. He caddied at the Princeton Elks Club as a boy. It was there that he developed his love of the game, which he enjoyed well into his eighties. He also loved to travel. He visited six continents and played golf in all of them, including The Old Course in St. Andrews, Scotland. He quipped that he never had a desire to visit the seventh continent ?? "Antarctica. He was a member of the West Virginia Society of Public Accountants, and a former member of Bluefield Country Club, Fincastle Country Club, Elks Club, and University Club. He was of the Methodist Faith, and attended First United Methodist Church in Bluefield, Virginia. He was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to those who knew him. He will be sadly missed. Left to cherish and honor his memory are three sons, William D. Evans of Sarasota, FL, Lloyd D. Evans, who was his devoted caregiver, Wayne L. Evans and his wife, Cheryl R. Evans, all of Bluefield, VA; two grandchildren, Lisa Evans Bourne and her husband Josh Bourne of Abingdon, VA, and Jason L. Evans of Lewisburg, WV; nephew Dr. Eugene R. Evans II of Mullens, WV; nieces Susan Evans Gautier and her husband Jack Gautier of Smith Mountain Lake, VA and Judith Berliner Watson and her husband Paul Ogden of Montrose, Colorado. Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 26 at 11:00 o'clock in the morning at Mercer Funeral Home in Bluefield, WV with the Reverend Jeff Moncier officiating. The family will receive visitors on Sunday, March 25 from six to eight in the evening at Mercer Funeral Home in Bluefield, WV. Internment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton, WV. Family and friends will serve as pallbearers. Full military rites and honors will be accorded by the West Virginia Honor Guard and the Mercer County Veteran's Council. Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer

Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Douglas Evans.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Douglas Evans*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Bill, I am so sorry for your loss of your dear father. I met you father at the FUMC breakfasts. He and I and several others Church members would all eat together on those special days. He was always in good humor and a pleasure to know. I miss seeing and conversing with him.*

**Sharon Ziegler** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *Bill, Lloyd, and Wayne - Please accept my sincere sympathy in the passing of your dad. I had much admiration and respect for him. Many fond memories from our Grandview days. May God's peace surround you and your families.*

**Robert Gruver** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *Wayne, Lloyd and families: I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. I know how close you all were and nothing anyone can say or do can ease the pain that you all are feeling. I pray that God give you all peace, understanding and strength during this difficult time. Love and prayers, Susan*

**Susan Harmon** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

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“ May you once again be with Wanda. I have no doubt there will be plenty of books to keep up there and lots of golden cash to sling! You will be in my heart always!

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**Sheila Irene** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

RS

“ Bill and Family, I am thankful to have known Doug. He was a joy to have in church when he was able to attend. I know these last years have been difficult for him. He shared so much history with me each time I would visit. Please know that Pat and I are praying for you.  
Rev Ray Amos

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**Rev Raymond Amos Sr** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JW

“ Bill, Lloyd and Wayne - Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your Dad. He was a good and kind man. My Mom loved him very much. They are now all together and finally at peace. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love, Judy

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**Judy Berliner Watson** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM