



Sonia Wolphard Coleman

February 26, 1925 - April 24, 2019

Bluefield, WV- Sonia Wolphard Coleman, prominent Bradshaw barber for 62 years, passed away Wednesday April 24th at the Virginia Veterans Care Center in Roanoke, VA at the age of 94. He was born February 26, 1925 to Noah and Mary Harmon Coleman.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy (Sally) Payne Coleman; daughter, Charlotte Ann Coleman; son-in-law, John Osborne; brothers, Alva Coleman, Eugene Coleman, Glen Coleman, Gleason Coleman, John (Doc) Coleman, and Noah Coleman; sisters, Juanita Whaley, Glenna Addair, and Othella Chafin.

Left to cherish his memory are daughters, Selma (Bob) Sweeney of Northport, AL and Sonia Osborne of Troutville, VA; grandchildren, Kimberly (Rick) Spriggs of Northport, AL, Salena Harvey of Daleville, VA, Sean (Jennifer) Osborne of Daleville, VA and Brian Coleman of Bradshaw; great-grandchildren, Bryson Harvey, Bria Harvey, Braeden Harvey, Braxton Harvey, Coleman Osborne, Weston Osborne, and Jocelyn Osborne, all of Daleville, VA; Cody (Courtney) Coleman, stationed with the Air Force in North Carolina, and Kelsey Coleman of Princeton; great-great grandchildren, Annabelle Coleman of Beckley and Amelia Amick of Princeton; brother, Raymond (Imogene) Coleman of Princeton, WV; and numerous nieces and nephews. Sonia served in the U.S. Navy and was stationed aboard the USS Pennsylvania in the Pacific during WWII. He was awarded three Battle Stars and two Gold Stars.

A visitation will be held on Saturday April 27, 2019 from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. with a service to follow at 2:00 p.m. at Mercer Funeral Home, Bluefield, WV, officiated by Wayne Addair, nephew.

Burial will follow at Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, VA where military rites will be provided by the laeger V.F.W. Pallbearers will be family.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15120, Chicago, IL 60693.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Mr. Sonia Wolphard Coleman.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Memory Gardens

Bluefield, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

APR 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sonia Wolphard Coleman*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Mr. Coleman now rests in the arms of our Lord.
My condolences to the Coleman family.*



karen walls - July 28, 2019 at 08:28 AM



“ *Sharon Hicks lit a candle in memory of Sonia
Wolphard Coleman*



Sharon Hicks - April 26, 2019 at 06:08 PM



Sonia will never be forgotten in our community. The children loved going to his barber shop, listening to his war stories, and having him play pranks on them while he cut their hair. My youngest son got his hair cut in a "crew cut" until Sonia left our area. HE WAS THE BEST AND MADE EVERYBODY FEEL SPECIAL! Definitely, ONE OF A KIND!

Sharon Hicks - April 26, 2019 at 06:10 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Sonia Wolphard Coleman, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Navy Veteran, Sonia Wolphard Coleman, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - April 26, 2019 at 08:08 AM

DP

“ *Dreama And Kenny Peaks lit a candle in memory of Sonia Wolphard Coleman*



Dreama and kenny Peaks - April 25, 2019 at 08:16 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Sonia Wolphard Coleman.*



April 25, 2019 at 06:32 PM



“ *My prayers for the family and our community. I miss my haircuts he was the only one who could cut it like I want. But most of all I miss our talks. He was good and kind man. With much wisdom. He served our country and our community well. You will be sorely missed dear friend.*



Monica Mullins - April 25, 2019 at 05:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sonia Wolphard Coleman.*



April 25, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ *Aperia lit a candle in memory of Sonia Wolphard Coleman*



Aperia - April 25, 2019 at 04:19 PM

AV

“ Anita Vance lit a candle in memory of Sonia Wolphard Coleman



Anita Vance - April 25, 2019 at 04:18 PM

AV

He was a very dear respected man

Anita Vance - April 25, 2019 at 04:19 PM

RP

Uncle Sonia was a one of a kind man. He saw good in everyone no matter how bad they were. He took care of the less fortunate in our home town as if they were his own Bugs Myers n Elwood Farley and a few more those of us who lived in town know the history of this. You ask for a dollar he'd give you ten. Always had a wild story to tell you while you got your hair cut some true well you know the rest of the story. His love for Aunt Sally while she was sick closed his shop to attend to her last day. Not many MEN who of done this. I just can hear Aunt Sally saying once he arrived up in heaven " Well Bugs !! It sure took you long enough to get here." As Sonia Jean and Selma prepare for Uncle finally journey may they find peace that not only of loosing a Father but the community has also lost a ICON that can't be replaced. I can go on and on and on but it's time to bid farewell To a Uncle that has touched many of us nephews n nieces. Thoughts n Prayers to the Coleman Family, RIP

Randy Payne - April 26, 2019 at 08:29 AM