VANCE ROBERT COFFEE



Vance Robert Coffey, 61, of the Pinelog Community, Warne died Friday, February 5, 2010 at his residence. He was a native of Clay County. He retired after 20 years as an officer in the United States Navy serving in intelligence. He then worked as a residential building contractor. Vance was a member of the Pinelog Baptist Church.

He was the son of Martha Shaw Coffey of Warne and the late Conley W. Coffey.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are a daughter, Angela L. Coffey of Fleming Island, FL; two sons, Michael Coffey of Groton, CT and John Coffey of Elizabethown, KY; two sisters, Joann Galloway of Andrews and Lois Burkhart of Thomasville, NC; two brothers, Floyd Jordan of Iron Station, NC and Leroy Jordan of Warne; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Wednesday, Feb. 10 in the Pinelog Baptist Church with Rev. Tom Leatherwood officiating. Interment will be in the Pinelog Methodist Cemetery with military graveside rites conducted by the Hayesville American Legion Post 532, Hayesville VFW Post 6812 (Allison-Bristol), Murphy American Legion Post 96, Murphy DAV Chapter 73, Murphy VFW Post 10222, and NC National Guard. Pallbearers will be Bryson Perry, J.L. Coffey, Bill England, and Talmadge, Ben, and Cameron Miller.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 Tuesday evening at the Ivie Funeral Home, Hayesville where the body will be until placed in the church 30 minutes prior to the services.

The family requests memorials be made in memory of Vance Robert Coffey to the Pinelog Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o William Anderson, PO Box 7, Brasstown, NC 28902.

Ivie Funeral Home, Hayesville in charge of all arrangements.

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Vance entered into this world as a son of Conley W. Coffey and Martha (Shaw)Coffey in beautiful Clay County nestled in the mountains of Western North Carolina. As a native of North Carolina he always claimed it as his home. Where he returned following a brilliant career of 20 years serving his Country as an Officer in the U. S. Navy Intelligence Corps aboard our Nations submarine fleet which at times could be some long and lonely times.

Following his service to our Country Vance returned to our beautiful mountains to begin a new career as a residential building contractor serving his local community in this capacity as well as being a member of the Pinelog Baptist Church.

Vance was married to Georgia Louise (Spurr) Coffey. They were the proud parents of 3 wonderful children. A daughter Angela L. Coffey, Two sons, Michael Coffey and John Coffey. Vance was a brother to two sisters Joann (Coffey) Galloway and Lois (Coffey) Burkhart along with two brothers Floyd Jordan and Leroy Jordan. He is the proud Grandfather to his seven grandchildren.

Vance moved into his new eternal home in Heaven on February 5, 2010 eagerly looking forward to an eternity of service with our Eternal Father. Vance was honored with a full honor guard conducted by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, DAV, North Carolina National Guard and the United States Navy for his lifetime of service to his Country and his community.

Thank you Vance for being a member of our family and for your dedicated service to our Country. No longer having a need for his earthly body it has been placed in the Pinelog Methodist Cemetery in beautiful Brasstown, North Carolina. Rest in Peace Brother.