



## James Ardis

August 1, 1936 - September 19, 2012

James Edward Ardis age 76, died Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at Agape Senior.

Born in Summerton, SC in August of 1936, he was a son of the late Irving Edward and Louise Evelyn Ardis. A resident of Myrtle Beach since 1940, he was a graduate of Myrtle Beach High School, Class of 1954. A decorated US Army veteran, he served as a helicopter pilot and test pilot in North Africa, Korea, Dominican Republic, Alaska, Vietnam and other locations. Ed was the recipient of 23 air medals and twice the Bronze Star Medal for heroism. He loved the Army and flying. Following his military service, he and his family then operated Ardis Realty, Ardis Construction and Sidra Construction in Surfside Beach until his retirement in 1998. He was also past president of South Strand Board of Realtors.

Survivors include his wife and best friend of 57 years, Ghneitta Jenerette Ardis of Surfside Beach; a son, James E. Ardis, Jr. of Surfside Beach; a daughter, Geneice A. Walsh of Murrells Inlet; his beloved grandchildren, Ryan, Phillip and Kristina Spangler; great-grandchildren, Julian and Emma Spangler from whom he takes with him their love, memories and a legacy to be remembered. His brother, Glenn Ardis of Virginia Beach also survives. A son, Charles Edward Ardis predeceased him.

A funeral service will be held at 1 PM, Saturday, September 22, 2012 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. Burial will follow at Ocean Woods Cemetery with full military honors. The family will receive friends from 6:00-

8:00 PM on Friday, September 21, 2012 at the funeral home.

An online guestbook is available at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries)

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 1039 44th Ave. N. Suite 201 Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

WJ

“ I am sorry I was unable to attend the service. I treasure the memories I have of the time I spent with James during our days in Vietnam. He was a great man.

Sincerely,

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**William Jones** - September 22, 2012 at 11:34 AM

JV

“ Nita and Family; It's been a while time since we were associated. But we still remember Your family is in our prayers. (John can not go out at all. He has COPD PLUS. And he asked me to stay home with him tonight. I know you understand.)  
We can not be there in person. but, but we will be with you in spirit.  
Love, Joan and John Vandiver

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**John and Joan Vandiver** - September 21, 2012 at 05:13 PM

LW

“ Lena Turbeville Waugh lit a candle in memory of James Ardis



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**Lena Turbeville Waugh** - September 21, 2012 at 07:26 AM

KF

“ What a truly wonderful sweet Man , We were blessed to meet him .  
What A kind soul! he will be greatly missed xoxo

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**Kerri & Robert Flood** - September 20, 2012 at 06:59 PM