



## William Duncan

August 18, 1934 - June 6, 2016

William R. Duncan, Jr., 81 of Murrells Inlet, went home to be with his Lord on Monday, June 6, 2016 following a long life filled with love and service.

He was born on August 18, 1934, in Wilkinsburg, PA, the second child and oldest son of the late W. Rea Duncan, Sr. and Mary Elizabeth Elliott. He graduated from Carlisle High School, Carlisle, PA in 1952. He enlisted in the United States Navy and was stationed on Treasure island, San Francisco, Guam and the US Naval Communications Station in Washington DC. William is survived by his spouse, Wanda J. (Reichard) Duncan, whom he married on June 23, 1957.

After his discharge from the Navy, William continued to proudly serve his country as a civilian employed by the US Department of Defense until 1991. During that time, he held various positions including Production, Planning, and Control; Division Chief of the General Shops which overhauled the Army's tanks and other equipment, and retired as a Supervisor, Supply Systems Analyst from the Systems Integration and Management Activity co-located at Letterkenny Army Depot.

After retirement he and his wife Wanda enjoyed sailing the Chesapeake Bay sharing many adventures with family and friends as they navigated around the Bay. After spending many winters in Myrtle Beach, SC, they moved to Woodlake Village, Murrells Inlet and have thoroughly enjoyed making new friends and exploring many of the community's offerings, especially the beach. William's commitment to service extended into his community through

volunteer service to the Combined Community Campaign, as an active member of the West End Fire and Rescue Company and the Cumberland Valley Hose Company where he served as an Emergency Medical Technician. He also served on community Planning Commissions and Home Owners Associations.

William was a member of the Shippensburg United Presbyterian Church, later transferring to the Middle Spring Presbyterian Church and most recently the First Presbyterian Church of Myrtle Beach.

William was a kind and gentle man. He was reserved but enjoyed long conversations with others.

In addition to Wanda, his wife of almost 59 years, he is survived by a daughter, Marlene G. Stetson and her husband Jeff, of State College, PA, a grandson, of whom he was extremely proud, Dr. Jason R. Stetson of State College, PA; and a granddaughter Jessica L. who was born with special needs and held a very special place in her grandfather's heart; two sisters, Elizabeth Fry of Waynesboro, PA, Lydia Gleezen of Lancaster, MA, a brother David Duncan, Carlisle, PA, and a sister-in-law Chloe wife of his younger brother Robert L. Duncan who preceded him in death. Additionally, a son W. Rea Duncan III preceded him in death.

The family extends a heartfelt thanks to all of their relatives, friends, neighbors, the staff of the Inlet Medical Group, the Grand Strand Medical Center and the First Presbyterian Church of Myrtle Beach for their help and support. William will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Celebration of William's Life on Thursday, June 9 at the 1:00 PM at the Goldfinch Beach Chapel, 11528 Hwy 17 Bypass, Murrells Inlet, SC. The service will be officiated by Dr. John C. Brearley. On-line condolences may be made at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com).

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 1300 N. Kings Hwy, P.O. Box 1306, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578 or Savannah's Playground at [www.savannahsplayground.org](http://www.savannahsplayground.org).

A service and interment will be held at the convenience of the family in Shippensburg, PA. Arrangements are incomplete at this time.

Micah 6:8

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

# Tribute Wall

ER

“ *Wanda So sorry to hear of Bills' passing. My prayers are with you and your family. Bill was such a kind and gentle guy. Eileen Rauh*

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**Eileen Rauh** - June 12, 2016 at 12:29 PM

WU

“ *RIP Sailor !!!!  
Wayne Williams  
United States Marine Corps*



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**Wayne Williams - USMC** - June 09, 2016 at 07:41 AM

RC

“ *We will miss Bill-sorry we can't be there for you today'*

*Bob and Norma Cucci*

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**Robert Cucci** - June 09, 2016 at 07:26 AM

SS

“ *Wanda, our Prayer Shawl Ministry sends comfort to you and your family. We are so sorry for your loss. ---Sylvia Selby*

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**Sylvia Selby** - June 09, 2016 at 06:11 AM

MA

“ We are sorry about your loss. May God comfort you at this time. Bill and Maryrose Ahlers of Bluebird Lane

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**Maryrose Ahlers** - June 09, 2016 at 04:20 AM

LM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, may God comfort you . Linda McDowell



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**Linda McDowell** - June 08, 2016 at 07:11 PM