



James Francis Lilley

July 13, 1923 - September 5, 2020

James Lilley, 97, of Mooresville, passed away peacefully in his home on Saturday, September 5, 2020. He was born on July 13, 1923 in Wynn, PA to the late Charles and Edna Hugh Lilley. He was predeceased by Betty, his beloved wife of 72 years & his dear brother, Eugene.

He is survived by his daughter Deborah Jellison (Steve) of Jacksonville, FL; his son Brent Jay Lilley (Adriana) of Mooresville, NC; granddaughters Briana & Aveline Lilley; his like-a-son Daniel Devere of Rosamond, CA; his brother Homer Lilley of Amherst, OH; his nieces & nephews Gail, Pat, Steve, Britt, & Leslie; & his grand-dogs Baxter, Molly, & Coco.

Jim grew up in a small coal mining town in western PA, graduated from Redstone High School, & served in the United States Army during WWII. When he & Betty married in 1947 they moved to Columbus, OH in order for him to attend Ohio State University. He was on the management staff for many years at Jess Howard Electric in Blacklick, OH before his retirement in 1987. He was a past master of his Masonic Lodge in Bexley, OH; & a lifelong Christian. He was a member of Brookwood Presbyterian Church in Columbus, OH for 50 years & a member of Coddle Creek ARP Church in Mooresville, NC for the last 20 years.

He was a loyal Buckeye sports fan, an avid reader, & he enjoyed playing golf

& watching the pro tournaments on tv. Jim & Betty loved to dance & were able to for most of their 72 years together. He always loved listening to classical music & was peacefully doing so when he took his last breath.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2020 at 11:00am at Coddle Creek ARP Church. The Rev. Andrew Shoger will be officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Coddle Creek ARP Church, 2297 Coddle Creek Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115 or Hope Haven, a nonprofit for children with disabilities, 4600 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32207.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the family of Mr. Lilley. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Coddle Creek ARP Church
2297 Coddle Creek Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall



“ *James Francis Lilley*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *James Francis Lilley*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *James Francis Lilley*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Ralph Deal lit a candle in memory of James Francis Lilley*



Ralph Deal - September 22, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Francis Lilley.*



September 11, 2020 at 03:50 PM

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“ 32 files added to the tribute wall



Debi Jellison - September 10, 2020 at 03:10 PM