



Jerry Thomas

November 28, 1938 - April 26, 2020

Jerry Lee Thomas, 81, passed away on April 26, 2020, at Delaware Hospice Center, in Milford, Delaware. Jerry was born on November 28, 1938, in Frost, West Virginia, to the late William N. and Lou Verna Thomas. He lived in Minnehaha Springs in his early years, and graduated from Marlinton High School, in 1957.

Upon graduation, Jerry relocated to the Washington, DC area where he met the love of his life, Betty Louise (Hubbard) Thomas. They married in 1966, and resided in Beltsville, Maryland, where they proudly raised their two daughters, Pamela and Paula. Jerry and Betty built their dream home in Charleston, West Virginia, where they relocated after his retirement from his plumbing and heating business. Their final journey landed them in Seaford, Delaware, to be closer to their daughters and grandchildren.

Jerry was an outdoorsman who loved hunting and camping with family and friends, while enjoying the beauty of the mountains, wilderness and beach. He also enjoyed yard work and gardening. He was a sports lover and true Washington Redskins fan. He was a season ticket holder for decades and attended every Super Bowl the Redskins played. He and Betty were “snowbirds” for 20+ years, where they called Sanibel Island, Florida their home during the winter months. He loved to travel and make friends and memories. Jerry was a man of many words who loved spending quality time

with his family and friends.

In addition to his parents, Jerry was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Betty Louise (Hubbard) Thomas, who passed away on March 22, 2019; his brother, William F. Thomas; and three sisters, Helen N. Meo, Nellie Blye Smith and Joyce T. Lacey.

Jerry is survived by his loving daughters, Pamela L. Reising (Kenny) and Paula G. Prager (Greg); his cherished grandchildren, Sean P. Weatherford and Harli P. Reising, whom affectionally called him Dada; niece, Dr. Kandyce Meo; brother-in-law, David Lacey; sisters-in-law, Helen Cook (Herb) and Ann Williams (Mike); brother-in-law, Larry Loftus (Sandra); as well as other nieces and their families and a host of friends.