



## Chester Wilson

July 2, 1932 - February 25, 2017

Chester Eugene ("Gene") Wilson, 84, of Ocala, FL, passed away surrounded by family on Saturday, February 25, 2017 after a long illness. He was born in Logan County, WV, on July 2, 1932 to Troy and Fonnies (Richards) Wilson. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Betty Wilson, and brother, Edward Wilson. After graduating high school in 1950, he served in the U.S. Air Force, attaining the rank of Tech Sergeant before his honorable discharge. He married his childhood sweetheart, Barbara Anne Conley, on May 30, 1954 and together they raised two sons. He was employed in Logan County by Chafin Coal Company until, following his brothers, he relocated to northern Virginia in March, 1966. There he worked in the moving and storage industry until retiring to Ocala from Security Storage of Washington, D.C. in June, 1997. He was an avid bowler and participated in numerous leagues wherever he lived until finally prevented by ill health. He was also a life-long fan of Southern Gospel and country music, particularly George Jones. From his collection of thousands of CDs, he enjoyed making "mix discs" for friends and family. He is survived by his loving wife, Barbara, their two sons Stephen (Jeanne) Wilson of Pensacola, FL, and Michael (Marsha) Wilson of Verdunville, WV; grandchildren Stephanie Wilson O'Meara of Lorton, VA; Nicholas (Kristen) Wilson of Gulf Breeze, FL; Derek Wilson of Bedford, IN; and great-grandchildren Brendan, Rhiannon, Kaiden O'Meara, and Eloise "Ellie" Wilson. In addition he leaves behind brothers R.J. (Alma) Wilson and Roger (Linda) Wilson, their families, brothers- and sisters-in-law and other

family in Ocala, Brooksville, and other FL towns. He attended Christ Church of Marion County. Viewing will take place at 11:00 AM -1:00 PM at Roberts Funeral Home on SR 200. Christ Church's pastor, David Bellows, will officiate memorial services at Good Shephard Gardens following the viewing. Barbara, Stephen, Michael and all Gene's family appreciate and want to thank the staff at Legacy House of Hospice of Marion County for their care and service as he concluded his life's journey.

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ Gene Wilson was my father-in-law, and I could not have asked for a better one! He was a wonderful man with a great sense of humor, and a huge fan of the Washington Redskins (as am I)! He will be missed terribly by all who knew him, especially by those closest to him. I cannot express how sorry I am that he is gone. My condolences to all his family, and particularly to my mother-in-law, Bobbie. RIP, Gene--you were a truly good man!

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**Marsha Wilson** - March 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Roger and family, We're so very sorry for your loss. God bless and comfort all of you. Love, Tom and Eva

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**Tom and Eva Light** - March 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Aunt Bobbie, I'm so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers through this difficult time

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**Meloney McRoberts** - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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**Meloney McRoberts** - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My sincere condolences to your family May you find comfort in your loving memories, and in Jehovah God's promise to soon "swallow up death forever" and "wipe away the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25;8)With deepest sympathy.S Willis

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**s willis** - March 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Gene was a great man with a great sense of humor. I'm so grateful to have met him and for Ellie having the chance to meet and be held by him.

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**Kristen Wilson** - February 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM