



## William Vigne

December 27, 1924 - June 29, 2014

Obituary of William La Vigne William "Bill" LaVigne, beloved father, grandfather, and great grandfather, passed away on June 29, 2014 surrounded by loving family members. He was born December 27, 1924, in Trenton, NJ, to William Joseph LaVigne and Annie Mae Haws. After graduating from Plainfield High School in June 1942, he enlisted, on July 6, 1942, in the regular Navy/Minority Hitch at age 17. He proudly served his country through WWII as a leading SKD1 (storekeeper dispersing first class), and 20 mm gunner on the U.S.S. Susan B. Anthony and the U.S.S. Pavlic. During his service, he earned 9 medals, including 4 bronze battle stars for combat service in North Africa, Sicily, D-Day Normandy France, and Okinawa Japan. He was honorably discharged on January 18, 1946, and later obtained his business degree from Pace University in New York, NY. Bill was an avid crossword puzzle enthusiast. Daily, he spent hours on his screened porch enjoying his pipe and Jack Daniels while bird watching. He was a devout parishioner of Our Lady of the Springs and faithful supporter of St. Jude's Children's Hospital, his favorite charity. Bill was preceded in death by his wife Catherine, son Keith, granddaughter Casey, and sister Harriet Square. He is survived by his six daughters, Patricia Lizzi, Kathy (& Daniel) Matysek, Judy (& Trinidad) Lazaro, Mary Beth (& Dean) Bryden, Deborah (& Thomas) Benjamin, and Nicky (& Chris) Tricozzi; three sons, Chris (& Justine), Jeffrey (& Rose), and Matthew (& Jennifer) LaVigne; 25 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, 4 nieces, and 2 nephews. There will be a visitation Sunday,

July 6, from 4-9 PM at ROBERTS DOWNTOWN CHAPEL, 606 SW 2ND AVE, OCALA, FL 34471, 352-622-4141. Funeral Mass will be held Monday, July 7, at 11 AM at Our Lady Of The Springs Catholic Church. Interment will take place with military honors at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL at 1 PM.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William Vigne*

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**Ronald Matysek** - July 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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**The Beech Mountain Club** - July 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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July 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM