## **Luby Francis Bell**

December 29, 2016

Luby Francis Bell, formerly of Mount Olive, NC, passed away on December 29, 2016.

He was residing in Bracey, Virginia at the time of his death.

Luby was born in Wayne County, NC on October 9, 1929 to the late Luby C. and Mary Frances Parker Bell of Mount Olive.

He played semi-pro baseball before being drafted to serve in the United States Army in the Korean War for two years.

He was awarded the Korean Service Medal, two Bronze Stars and the United Nations Service Medal.

Upon his return, he served in the Army National Guard for 20 years.

Luby was retired from the banking industry and later worked for Sadler Oil Company in Emporia, Va.

He enjoyed NCSU and Duke athletics and Caroline Hurricanes hockey.

Luby was preceded in death by his sister, Jo Ann Bell; his wife, Vera Shelton-Bell; and his first wife and the mother of his children, Joy C. Bell McClure.

He is survived by his children, Cynthia B. Smith and husband, Dale, of Fayetteville, Luby F. Bell, Jr. and wife, Edythe, of Greensboro, Nanci J. Bell of Bracey, Va., and Dorothy J. Bell of Chesterfield, Va.; grandchildren, Kimberly and husband, Brian, Scott and wife, Jill, Luby III "Buddy", Philip and wife, Jeanette, and Megan; and great-grandchildren, Ian, Gavin, Graham, and Axel (due May 2017).

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to Duke Health Charities, https://www.gifts.duke.edu/daa. 710 W. Main St., Suite 200, Durham, NC 27701, or Lake Country SPCA, 11764 US 15, Clarksville, Va. 23927.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 14, at 2 p.m. at Tyndall Funeral Home, 1005 North Church Street, Mount Olive, NC with visitation to immediately follow the service.

Arrangements in Virginia were handled by Crowder-Hite-Crews Funeral Home and Crematory.

Memorial service and burial are with Tyndall Funeral Home, Mount Olive,



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