

Viers, James A.

James Adron Viers, 84, passed away unexpectedly Monday, June 8, 2009, at Caro Community Hospital.

Jim was born July 11, 1924 in Martha Gap, Va., the son of the late Issac Patterson and Bessie Bell (Sykes) Viers.

Jim served in the U.S. Navy during World War II until his discharge in April of 1946.

After the war, Jim was united in marriage to Mary R. Stallard on Feb. 7, 1948 in Clintwood, Va. When Jim returned to Virginia after the war, he farmed for a while and worked in the coal mines before going to Detroit for employment in the auto industry. He spent the last 28 years as a mechanic for the City of Detroit.

During his time in Detroit, Jim was active with the local VFW and the Masonic Lodge.

When Jim and his wife, Mary, came to Caro in 1978, he transferred his membership to both organizations and was a life member of the Caro VFW Post No. 4164 and was a member of its Honor Guard and a Life Member of Caro Mount Moriah Lodge No. 226 F&AM.

While in Caro, Jim attended the Caro First Baptist Church.

Jim's interest and love was for his family, veterans and working in his vegetable garden.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of more than 61 years, Mary R. Viers of Caro; one son, one daughter and their spouses, Tom and Kay Viers of Sand Point, Shirley and Dennis Janusch of New Baltimore; nine grandchildren and their spouses, Michael and Jennifer Viers, Amy and Darren Smithers, Curtis and Delanie Viers, Issac and Stacey Viers, Jonathon Viers, Brian and Wendy Ignash, Michael and Susan Ignash, Adam and Amy Janusch, Kimberly and Mark Ilijanic; 15 great-grandchildren; one brother, Carl Viers of Belleville; two sisters-in-law, Nelva Viers of Christiansburg, Virginia, Loretta Viers of Haysi, Virginia and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Jamie Viers and six brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 12, 2009 at the Ransford Funeral Home in Caro with the Rev. Ronald C. Wigand officiating.

Burial with Military Honors will be conducted by the Caro VFW Post No. 4164 and the U.S. Navy will follow at the Indianfields Township Cemetery in Caro.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. on today and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. on Friday at the Ransford Funeral Home.

Masonic Memorial Service will be conducted at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial contributions to the Caro VFW Post No. 4164.

Friends may share memories, thoughts and prayers online at www.ransfordfuneralhome.com.