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**Jack Edward Riggs****Jack Edward Riggs**

Virginia Beach - Jack Edward Riggs of Virginia Beach, VA passed away peacefully July 8, 2013 at Sentara Villages in Virginia Beach. He was born June 3, 1929 in Terre Haute, IN to the late Charles and Mary Riggs. He was predeceased by his sister Shirley (Riggs) Lawson.

Jack left Indiana after high school to join the Navy where retired as a Chief in 1967. After retiring from the Navy, he worked at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. In 1982 he married Claire "Marie" Avery and they had 26 wonderful happy years together before her passing in 2009. Throughout his life he could be found many a weekend on a fishing boat in Moyock, NC or out enjoying a round of golf. Jack always loved a good party be it at home or the Moose Lodge. In his later years he spent his time enjoying life at "the farm" with Marie

and living in Florida with his daughter and son-in-law.

He is survived by his daughter Sandy Cahill and husband Tim; his son Gary Riggs and wife Susan; his grandchildren and great-grandchildren Corey, Jennifer and husband Nick, Gary, Kelly, Brent, Kristin and husband Aljay, Taylor, Curtis, Ben and Brianne; numerous nieces and nephews and many wonderful friends including Wanda Wible, Robert Mortiz, the Walker Family.

We would like to thank the staff of Sentara Villages in Virginia Beach for the extraordinary kindness, care and dignity they showed Jack on a daily basis. We would also like to thank Freda H. Gordon Hospice & Palliative Care of Tidewater for the wonderful care and support they showed Jack and his family during this difficult time. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research at <http://www.michaeljfox.org>.



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