



Alfred J. Benson

September 14, 2015

Alfred J. Benson, of Woodstock, VA passed away peacefully on Monday, September 14, 2015 surrounded by loving family members. A native of Long Island, New York and a long-time resident of Springfield, VA., he moved to the Washington, D.C. area in 1956 to join the CAA (FAA) as an Air Traffic Controller. He was an Air Force Veteran serving from 1951-1955. He also served in the USAF Reserves attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. He retired from the FAA after 36 years of service and was a member of the Airway Pioneers. As an active member of St. John Bosco Catholic Church, he was a Lecturer, Eucharistic minister and a member of the Knights of Columbus where he eventually served as a Grand Knight. Mr. Benson, 83 years old, is survived by his wife of 61 years, Marlene Benson and his children, Tom Benson, Alyce Fowlkes, Larry Benson and Nancy Van Gorder. He is also survived by his 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. The family will be receiving friends on Thursday evening, September 17, 2015 from 7-9 p.m. at Dellinger Funeral Home at 157 N. Main St., Woodstock, VA. The Rosary will be said at 7 p.m. A Memorial Mass will be held at St. John Bosco Catholic Church, 315 N. Main St., Woodstock, VA on Friday, September 18, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. to celebrate the life of Mr. Benson. A private interment will be scheduled at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Blue Ridge Hospice, 333 W. Cork Street, Winchester, VA 22601 or St. John Bosco Catholic Church, 315 N. Main Street, Woodstock, VA 22664.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear about AL, worked with him for 30 years at the Washington Center. We both arrived there in '56 after serving 4 years in the USAF and leaving with the rank of Staff Sargent. He was well liked as a controller and Supervisor and was respected by all who worked with him. Very dedicated to his chosen profession. Betty & I send our deepest sympathies to Marlene & Family.

Carlos Bean - September 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry to hear about Al, have known him for some 60 years, Condolences to his Family as I am sure he will be much Missed.

Robert Libhart - September 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sad to here the passing of Al. Will always be remembered for his charm & wit. We send our deepest sympathies to Marlene & family. Rest in peace & never forgotten.

Phil,, Wendy, James & Daniel Collingwood. From England - September 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM