



Jack M. Showalter

February 8, 1935 - December 28, 2022

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Jack M. Showalter.

Jack M. Showalter, 87, of Toms Brook, died at Sentara Rockingham Memorial Hospital on December 28, 2022, after a long illness.

Mr. Showalter was born February 8, 1935, in Harrisonburg, the only child of Carl M. and Anna Laura Hartman Showalter. He grew up in Woodstock, and graduated from Woodstock High School. He married the late Mary Ellen Myers on October 20, 1952.

Mr. Showalter went to work for Columbia Gas Company in 1953 as a pressure operator in the Measurement Department at Dranesville, VA, and became a gas dispatcher for the Gas Control Department in 1961. He was promoted to senior gas controller in 1975 and chief controller in the Gas Control Department in 1983. There he supervised operations that monitored and controlled the flow of natural gas for transmission throughout Virginia and portions of West Virginia. In 1985, Mr. Showalter was transferred to Columbia's corporate headquarters in Charleston, WV, where he remained until he retired in 1995.

Survivors include a daughter, Deborah Brown (Allen) in Laurel, MD, a

grandson, Frank Showalter (Ashley) in Basye, and two great-grandsons, Jack and William. His son, Greg Showalter, preceded him in death in 2021.

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements are in the care of Heishman Funeral Home, Inc., Valley Funeral Service branch, Edinburg.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John's United Church of Christ
1466 Harrisville Road
Toms Brook, VA 22660

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack M. Showalter*

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ *Jack M. Showalter*

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ *Walter and Eva Simmons purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jack M. Showalter.*



Walter and Eva Simmons - January 03, 2023 at 02:58 PM

WS

“ I always called him Uncle Jack, although he wasn't actually my uncle, instead he was my second cousin. We have always and will always cherish the memories of when he stayed with us during all those deer seasons. When he arrived, I always asked him where he wanted to sleep. He always replied, "the kitchen loft". This was the warmest room in the house, and the one he had slept in all down through the years. It is a special memory when Greg got old enough to hunt, and Uncle Jack brought him for his first deer season, and Greg got a nice 8 point at the east base of Hickory Nut Ridge. Uncle Jack had gotten a big 8 point at the saw set many years before, along with others over the years. The last time he was able to come, I had a very heavy coal furnace sitting on my front porch, and upon learning that I wanted to move it into my house, he practically moved that heavy bugger, and set it exactly where I wanted it, by himself, as I held the doors open, and moved everything out of his way! He meant so much to us, and we will miss him even more. Our condolences to Debbie and the family.

Walter R. Simmons

Walter R. Simmons - January 03, 2023 at 02:43 PM

KG

“ Jack meant so much to Kevin and I (Jamee). We enjoyed the years helping him with his goats and shearing Playboy the Llama. We will miss him. RIP

Kevin and Jamee George - December 30, 2022 at 08:23 PM

DR

Jack an I we're friends from 1st grade thru graduation. We had many good times together. I remember getting up early in the morning to deliver cream to Harrisonburg before class while we were in high school. If Billy goats were born, they quickly found themselves in his mother's oven and they were kind enough to share the meal with me. Yes, we were great friends and I'm sure he will be missed by many.

Donald Ritenour - January 01, 2023 at 03:11 PM