



George R. Canaday

April 17, 1925 - March 6, 2009

Anderson - Captain George R. "Bob" Canaday, 83, Anderson, died March 6, 2009 at his residence after an extended illness. He was born April 17, 1925 in Anderson, Indiana, and resided in Anderson all of his life. He was a graduate of Anderson High School and Merchant Marine Officer's School. He served his country as a US Merchant Marine during WWII from 1943-1946. He was a self employed Public Accountant, owned Olympia Lanes, was an Indiana Insurance Agent and sold classic Cadillac cars. He was the youth director for Club Tom Tom, established the US Merchant Marine Museum in Anderson which was donated to the SS American Victory in Tampa Bay, Florida, dedicated in his name, was a life member of the American Legion Post #127, Ohio Valley Military Society, established the Anderson Convertible Club, a life member of the NRA, member of John Brown Liberty Ship, and was auditor/secretary and manager of the Fraternal Order of Eagles #174 from 1953-2001 where he received the Hall of Fame Award. He was active in the Madison County Civic, Fraternity and Veterans Organizations. He is survived by his wife whom he married January 14, 1949, Lou Wyant Canaday; sons, Mark R. Canaday of Anderson and Eric J. & wife Cindy Canaday of Denver; grandson, Ryan Canaday; nephew, Dr. Bruce Canaday & fiancée Victoria; great nephew, Casey & wife Melissa Canaday; step-grandchildren, Matt & wife Cynthia Greene; step great grandchildren; Emily and Aaron. He was preceded by his parents, George & Edith Heizer Canaday. Visitation will be from 3:00-4:30 pm on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at Robert D. Loose Funeral

Homes & Crematory, South Chapel; 200 W. 53rd Street; Anderson. Services will be Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 4:30 PM, at the funeral home, south chapel. Military rites will be at the funeral home by the VFW Post #266. Cremation will take place . In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to the SS American Victory, 705 Channelside Dr., Tampa, FL 33602 or the SS John Brown, Project Liberty Ship, P.O. Box 25846, Highlandtown Station, Baltimore, MD 21224-0546. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

Tribute Wall

MR

“ I met Mr. Canaday at the Museum. My late father had served in the Merchant Marine during WWI also. I don't know how man times I took my two sons up to meet him and talk. He was always gracious and loved visitors to the museum. I must say he never was a lost for knowledge. I did learn a lot for him about the Merchant Marine. My father passed away when I was young and I never had the opportunity to ask him. I often thought about Mr. Canaday. That is how I found this memorial. My oldest sons passed away in 01 at 14 years and he enjoyed him also. Mr. Canaday became a good friend. I am very sad to hear of Mr. Canaday passing. His family should be very proud of him and his service to our country. God bless him.

Mike Rusher - January 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ I have lost a very special friend.I have known him for over 50 years. Yes, I also knew Jet, the cocker spaniel he had for 17 yrs. We have had some parallels in our lives. For example, we both had dogs that up until the dogs' death, were older than our first 2 sons. I had Sunny II finding a wrapped rubber ball under the Christmas tree on Christmas morning, just like Jet. But as for Bob, Yes, I called him Bob, not George. I must admit in the last 30 yrs, I wish I could have seen him more than I did. He was a great father, a great family man, a great business man and a great friend and I shall miss him until the day that I die.

Tim S. Noland - March 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Markie, Sorry to learn of your Dads passing.My thoughts & prayers are with you and your family.

BOB Moorman - March 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Eric & Family I am sorry for your loss. My prayers and best wishes are with you. John*

John Daugherty - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM