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Class of 1969 45th Reunion



The forty-fifth reunion of the Clifton Forge High School class of 1969 was held on October 18, 2014 at the Clifton Forge armory with twenty-three alumni, four faculty and their guests in attendance.

Upon arrival, alumni and faculty were welcomed with name badges on which their high school yearbook photos had been placed and a cd of the top ten hits of 1969. Guests' name badges depicted the Mountaineer mascot. Tables were decorated in the school colors, and the centerpiece for each table was a vintage Peerless Creamery milk bottle holding a yellow football mum, reminiscent of the homecoming corsages that were always worn for the big game and dance. Programs for the evening were especially designed with the Mountaineer mascot on the cover. Door prizes from local merchants as well as the Peerless Creamery milk bottles were awarded by drawings held throughout the evening.

The evening began with a social hour, followed by dinner, which was catered by The Tea Room at Bannon's Irish Inn in Clifton Forge. Following dinner, there was dancing to the songs of the '60's, with music provided by classmate, Buzz Wade. The armory is the same venue in which classmates spent many high school hours at basketball games, school dances and proms. It was especially noted that Clifton Forge High School is within sight of the armory.

Plans are currently being made for more social events that will keep the class of 1969 in close touch with one another in the years ahead. The planning committee for the event was composed of Mary Beth Hileman Butler, of Midlothian, VA, Marilyn Patterson Crowder, of Covington, VA and Sharon Charlton Wrenn of Bedford, VA.



Louise Garland "Speedy" Carter
April 18, 1926 – May 12, 2015

Speedy was born in Clifton Forge the daughter of the late Kenner Nathaniel Garland and Susie Dora Wright Garland. She was a registered nurse for over 40 years, working for the former C & O Hospital in Clifton Forge and Alleghany Regional Hospital in Low Moor. She was a member of the Clifton Forge Presbyterian Church and a member of Circle No. 2 of the Presbyterian Women of the Church. She was active in the Clifton Forge Women's Club, the retired Nurses Association, and the Clifton Forge High School Alumni Association. She played basketball for CFHS and continued playing in a women's independent league even after she had a family.

Speedy served in the Army Cadet Nurse's Corp. during WWII. She was a faithful member of the church and knew the Lord. She told everyone that she knew Heaven was waiting and she would see her precious mother and lifelong love, her husband Cecil.

She is survived by three daughters, JoAnn Carter Gideons, Betty Lou Carter Greenway, and Angela Carter Persinger, a son, Michael Garland Carter, Six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Cecil E. Carter; three brothers, Nat, Bobby, and Billy Garland; two sisters, Virginia Garland and Janie Garland Hoke.

Memorial tributes may be made in her honor to the Mountain Regional Hospice Volunteers, PO Box 637, Clifton Forge, VA 24422.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her first husband, Virgil Humphries, and second husband, Stanley Nicely Sr.; a daughter, Darlene Spangler, a sister, Retha Scialoia; and a stepson Michael Lee Nicely.

She is survived by a daughter Brenda Blanks, a son Wayne Humphries, a step-son, Stanley Nicely Jr., five grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Clifton Forge High School Alumni Association, PO Box 118, Clifton Forge, VA 24422.



Juanita Craft Ailstock
August 15, 1934 – May 7, 2015

Juanita was born in Hilltop, WV to the late Melvin and Irene Boyles Craft. She was a former member of Central United Methodist Church and was active in the Highland Association of Retarded Persons and the Alleghany Humane Society.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Legrand Amos Ailstock Jr. She is survived by a son Danny Ailstock, two sisters Donna Craft and Virginia Ailstock.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alleghany Humane Society PO Box 60, Low Moor, VA 24457



Doris Chittum Humphries Nicely
August 24, 1926 – May 16, 2015

Doris was born in Rockbridge County to the late Russell and Thelma Miller Chittum. She was a retired bank teller for the former First National Bank of Clifton Forge. She also served as a teacher's aide for a number of years and worked for Leggett Department Store in Clifton Forge. She was a longtime member of the Clifton Forge Baptist Church and a current member of First Baptist Church of Richmond. She was a very active member of the Clifton Forge High School Alumni Association, the Red Hat Society of Clifton Forge, and the First Born Girls Social Club. She was a Virginia Tech fan and enjoyed square dancing.

CFHS Alumni Obituaries

Class of 1936	John Lawrence Haynes	06/09/2015
Class of 1942	Dr. Ernest Lawrence (Earnie) King, Jr.	06/05/2015
Class of 1943	Joseph Allen (Joe) Furry	06/08/2015
Class of 1944	Louise Garland (Speedy) Carter	05/12/2015
Class of 1945	Doris Chittum Nicely	05/16/2015
Class of 1953	Juanita Craft Ailstock	05/07/2015
Class of 1962	Alvin Talmadge Hughes, Jr.	05/10/2015
Class of 1962	Judy Lee Reid Martin	07/08/2015
Class of 1979	Robert (Bobby) Hogg	05/04/2015

Ernest Lawrence "Ernie" King Jr. January 29, 1926 – June 5, 2015

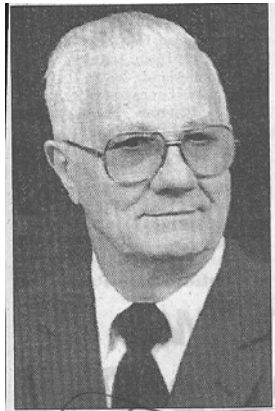
Ernie died peacefully at his home in Buena Vista after suffering a stroke a week earlier. He was born in Clifton Forge, the son of Ernest L. King Sr. and Mary Kirtner King. Dr. King was a veteran of the US Navy and Air Force. He was a retired dentist and a long-term member of the Buena Vista Baptist Church.

Dr. King and his family served as missionaries in Indonesia during the 1950s and returned home to Virginia in 1971.

He was a charter member of the Baptist Medical Dental Fellowship and past moderator of the National Bridge Baptist Association.

He is survived by his wife, Jean King of Buena Vista, three daughters, Rebecca Yeckley, Mary Wooldridge, and Elizabeth Baird; four sons, Joe King, Andy King, Jim King, and Stephen King and stepdaughters Mauri King Hodges and Robin King Sealey; 21 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Donations may be made to the Dr. Ernie King Offering for Global Missions at Buena Vista Baptist Church or to the Gideons International for purchase of Memorial Bibles in Memory of Ernie.



Joseph Allen "Joe" Furry
March 12, 1924 – June 8, 2015

Joe was born in Clifton Forge to the late Reuel Samuel and Rosa Lee Fridley. He served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1963. He was an engineer for CSX Transportation, retiring after 33 years, as well as a property surveyor. He was a longstanding member and deacon of the Clifton Forge Baptist Church, where he faithfully sang in the choir. He loved to show his love of God through song and always said he was "making a joyful noise."

He was a member of the Clifton Forge Masonic Lodge #166A. F.&A. M the Alleghany Royal Arch Chapter #24 of the Royal Arch Masons, and the Alleghany Commandry #23. He was also a former member of the Kazim Shriners A.A.O.N.M.S. of Roanoke and the Clifton Forge Shrine Club.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by five sisters, Annie Pauline Mason, Catherine Paitzel, Thelma Louise Waters, Nellie Juanita Wilcher, and Ruby Lee Stogdale; and two brothers, Robert L. Furry and Charles E. Furry. He is survived by a daughter, Linda D. Furry Barron and a son David K. Furry, a sister Margaret Golden Fields, five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Clifton Forge Baptist Church, PO Box 121, Clifton Forge, VA 24422

**Official Entry Form: CFHS Alumni Association Mountaineer Golf Classic
Saturday, August 15th 2015 / Shotgun Start at 9:00AM, Clifftondale Country Club**

Name _____ CFHS Class of _____

Address _____ Phone: _____

Email Address _____

I will be playing in a six-some with _____

Mail this form with your entry fee and 2015 Alumni Association Dues to:

Joe Wood, Golf Tournament Registration, PO Box 621, Clifton Forge, VA 24422

Entry fee of \$30 includes: green fees, pictures and prizes. Payment should be made in full by August 10st.

The tournament is open to all dues paying members of the CFHSAA

If 2015 Alumni dues have not been paid, include an additional \$10

The tournament can only accommodate 13 teams, so get your team together and register early!

**Signup Form: CFHS Alumni Annual Float and Lunch
Saturday, August 15, 2015 / 9:00 AM**

Name: _____ Class Year _____

Name: _____ \$30 Boat rental and transportation

Email: _____ \$10 If you have your own kayak

\$8 Bag Lunch Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Mail form by July 31, 2015 to: CFHSAA/Kayaking
P. O. Box 118
Clifton Forge, VA 24422

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