



Dwight Cody Minick

May 1, 1928 - September 26, 2020

Saluda, SC

Dwight Minick

Dwight Cody Minick, 92, died Saturday, September 26, 2020 at his residence.

Born in Saluda County and a son of the late Sion Corley Minick and Lessie Cameron Minick, he was the husband of Margie Jean Dozier Minick. Mr. Minick was a retired Chief Petty Officer with the United States Navy and Electronics Specialist with the Naval Shipyard . He was a member of Salem Baptist Church and a member of the Fleet Reserve Association.

Surviving are his wife of 65 years, Margie Jean Dozier Minick, two daughters, Cathi Eargle (George) of Leesville and Debbie Sheldon (Russell) of Summerville, two brothers, Duane "Bullet" Minick of Batesburg and S.C. Minick of Florida, two sisters, Lavinia Matthews of Saluda and Nadine Landes of Batesburg, five grandchildren, Heather Eargle, Adam Eargle (Megan), Kyle Sheldon (Suzanne Vallez), Rachel Sheldon and Brooke Sheldon and five great-grandchildren, Haylen, Calhoun, Keller, Griff and James.

Mr. Minick was preceded in death by two brothers, Corburn Minick and Ansel Minick.

The family would like to extend a special Thanks to the Hollywood Fire Department, MSA Hospice and Salem Baptist Church members.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 11 a.m., at Salem Baptist Church with Rev. Jerrod Marshall and Rev. Rod Elliott officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Due to COVID-19, the family asks those attending to practice social distancing and to wear masks.

Memorials may be made to Salem Baptist Church, 2226 Denny Hwy., Saluda, SC 29138

or to MSA Hospice, 2228 Harrington St., Newberry, SC 29108.

Cemetery Details

Salem Baptist Church Cemetery

2226 Denny Highway
Saluda, SC 29138

Previous Events

Funeral

SEP **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Salem Baptist Church
2226 Denny Highway
Saluda, SC 29138

Tribute Wall

“Mr. Dwight.” That is how I always addressed him. From the mid-1980s till September 2020, he remained an influential anchor for my family and many others. He and Mrs. Margie made such good neighbors (and Mrs. Margie still is).

I can clearly see him swinging those golf clubs out in his yard. He was quite active back in the day with his golf game. I even recall that my brother-in-law and he went to a country club at least once to play golf. I do not recall who won. But, it did not matter. Mr. Dwight played for the enjoyment of the game.

Speaking of enjoyment, he and I enjoyed talking Clemson sports, especially football. He and his family are Clemson. My family is Clemson. I am a Clemson graduate. Thus, we had Clemson as a common denominator in our lives. No doubt he is up there in heaven wearing orange, white, purple, and a tiger paw on football Saturdays!

Mr. Dwight had skills! His service in the US navy and, later, the naval shipyard/navy base in Charleston certainly honed and sharpened his skills as a craftsman/handyman. I can still recall his framed artwork of “specialty knots.” Those knots were very unique and required highly technical skills to create. Also, I recall him saying that, while in the navy, he had the privilege of seeing the last of the remaining “7 wonders of the world” – the pyramids of Egypt. Mr. Dwight said he was on deck in the Mediterranean Sea as his ship passed by. He could see the pyramids from a distance.

There is no amount of words that I can write that can truly capture my family’s value and appreciation for Mr. Dwight. From borrowing tools to assisting me with minor outdoor tasks to simply giving me encouragement when I was between jobs, Mr. Dwight repeatedly proved to be a resourceful and desirable neighbor. These are only a few of the reasons why I often swung by for a quick visit prior to heading back to Atlanta these last 11 years. Moreover, I left Atlanta early one Sunday morning to attend Mr. Dwight’s 90th birthday celebration. He was every bit worth making the one-day, eight-hour round trip!

The humbleness of his spirit and the charisma of his character shined. One could tell Mr. Dwight was a man of character. With that said, I cannot keep from speaking of his dedication to the Christian faith. He committed himself to biblical living. Personally, I was delighted (and a little surprised) when he and Mrs. Margie joined Salem Baptist Church (my home church). At that time (2002 or 2003), the church had some internal tension, but Mr. Dwight and Mrs. Margie showed their resolve and internal fortitude by not letting difficulties or challenges sway them. They were not fickle. I admired them for not only joining, but also faithfully serving Salem Baptist.

Late last month, I was informed that Mr. Dwight’s health (physical and mental) had plummeted a few days prior to his passing. At that time, I was in Washington state on a two-week assignment. Still, I made time to speak with Mrs. Margie via

telephone a few days after the service. Mrs. Margie told me that Mr. Dwight no longer knew her or any family members. I offered encouragement by saying something to the effect of: "When our loved ones no longer know or recognize their own family, that person has already passed away. All that remains is a physical body to maintain." While we are all saddened to lose his physical presence in our lives, we take solace in the fact that he is no longer in any suffering (physically or mentally).

In closing, to say Mr. Dwight was a good neighbor is an understatement. To say he was a strong Christian man does not do him justice. To say that he had a profound, positive impact on the lives of those who knew him only scratches the surface of the legacy he leaves behind! Rest in peace, Mr. Dwight.

Gregory Goff & Family - October 09, 2020 at 09:13 AM

SM

“ I Sion Cameron "S.C." Minick am sorry to have my brother leave us but am so happy to know where he is now! Dwight was a known Christian and is now with Jesus, our brother Ansel and other relatives and friends! Some day I and others will join Dwight to be with him forever! May God give us family members Peace having The Holy Spirit with us!

Sion Cameron "S.C." Minick - September 28, 2020 at 10:32 AM



“ Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Dwight Cody Minick.



September 28, 2020 at 10:06 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Dwight Cody Minick.



September 28, 2020 at 09:26 AM

DH

“ So sorry to hear about Dwight. My sympathy & prayers goes out to all the family!!!!

Dorethea Cameron Hoffman - September 27, 2020 at 09:34 PM

TC

“ *Thinking of you!*

Tammie Covington and Sandra Warren

Tammie Warren Covington - September 27, 2020 at 06:56 PM



“ *Rest in peace Uncle Dwight. You was a great Uncle.
Another Angel called to Heaven.*



Terry Minick - September 27, 2020 at 03:00 PM