



## Franklin Gordon Yingling

March 31, 2012 - September 3, 2012

Franklin Gordon Yingling, 79 of Huntington, WV, loving husband of Joanne Yingling for 58 years, died on Monday, September 03, 2012 at home with his family surrounding him after his long illness with cancer. Gordon was born in Butler, PA on March 31, 1933. He was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. Karl and Donna Yingling and his brother, Merrill Yingling of Butler, PA. Gordon was a member and elder of Highlawn Presbyterian Church where he was faithful in the church choir. He was a U.S. Army Veteran who served his country stateside and in Germany. He retired from Food Service Management. Gordon was a deeply devoted family man who loved God, painting, classical music, reading, history, carpentry, and visits to the beach. A proud father of four, he is survived by his son, Dr. Kevin Yingling and his wife, Mary Alice of Ona, WV; his daughters, Elizabeth Yingling of Batavia, OH; Susan Yingling of Proctorville, OH and Jennifer McNeel and her husband, Mac of Huntington, WV; his cherished grandchildren including Melissa Alexander and her husband, Frank of West Chester, OH; Chaz Yingling and his wife, Marissa of Columbia, SC; Courtney McNeel of Charleston, WV; Kathryn Nicely and her husband, Clarence of Ona, WV; Hannah Brewer and her husband, Andrew of Ona, WV; Taylor McNeel of Huntington, WV; Luke Yingling of Ona, WV; Zac McNeel of Huntington, WV and two great-grandsons, Caleb and Micah Nicely. He is also survived by many special friends. The family wishes to offer a heart-felt thank you to all his physicians, hospice personnel and caregiver, Gayle Riddle for their care and devotion to Gordon during his long illness. In Lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Highlawn Presbyterian Church, Huntington, WV or Hospice House of Huntington, WV. A Service of Life will be celebrated at Highlawn Presbyterian Church, officiated by Rev. Dr Rick Wilson and Rev. Dr. Jack Haga at 2:00 PM on Saturday, September 8, 2012. Henson Mortuary, Barboursville is handling the arrangements. Online condolences may also be expressed to the family by visiting [www.hensonmortuary.com](http://www.hensonmortuary.com).

# Comments

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**Walter D George** - September 06, 2012 at 08:04 PM

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Amy Mathews Sparks - September 04, 2012 at 11:43 PM

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“ Elizabeth and Family: So sorry for your loss.. Please know that your family is in my Thoughts and Prayers.

**Tammy Franklin Champion** - September 04, 2012 at 08:28 PM

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**Wendy Winger Markell** - September 04, 2012 at 06:47 PM

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**Beth Hager Spotts** - September 04, 2012 at 04:48 PM

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