



Delbert E. "Jack" Ford

January 14, 2018

He was born in Brocton, Illinois, June 10, 1929 one of seven children born to Elmer and Bernice (Josserand) Ford. Jack and three of his brothers enlisted in the U.S. Army to serve in North Korea where one brother perished.

His sons, Rodney Ford, his wife Jane (Hartwell) of Ayer and their son Carlton of Leominster, William Ford of Tucson, AZ; his brother, Myron Ford of IL, many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren also survive him.

Jack served in active military duty for 22 years with honor, retiring in Ayer, Massachusetts. He served two tours in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam Campaign and was assigned as First Sergeant to his unit in North Thailand at the Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base, later to return to Ft. Devens to teach at the ASA Intelligence School.

After 22 years of constant traveling in the Military, Jack started a second 36-year career with the Military Service Company, a division of EBSCO Industries, Inc., as an area representative for all the northeast military bases.

He retired for good in 2007 after 58 years of work. He was also a long time member of the Caleb Butler Lodge in Ayer.

Tribute Wall

TF

“ Uncle Jack was one of the first to instill in me a deep love of country and respect for those who protect it. Always clean cut and neatly shaven, he taught me to stand at attention. I was fortunate to take many walks with him over the years, all of which resulted in laughter and learning. I can only imagine Auntie Angie and him are enjoying one heck of a reunion dance. Love to all of you.

Talia Mace and Family - January 23, 2018 at 05:49 AM

SA

“ Goodbye Uncle Jack. I will miss you. You were always cool in my book. I have and will hold many fond memories of you. Sorry for your loss Rod and Bill. Jack loved you both and was very proud of you. He said it to me often when I would visit. My deepest sympathy. Love Sharon.

Sharon Atwood - January 21, 2018 at 06:10 PM

EP

“ I'm so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I remember his kind and friendly face from St. Andrew's. I pray that your memories give you strength and peace during this difficult time.

Erin Pueschel - January 21, 2018 at 07:50 AM

GF

“ I'm so sorry to hear about your dad, Bill. Its obvious from your note below that he was quite a wonderful person. No matter how old or ill our parents may be, it's always so hard to lose them. We never stop needing them. May your sweet memories of their love for you keep you warm and at peace.

Gretchen Fairweather - January 18, 2018 at 05:28 PM

DE

“ Please accept my sincere condolences in the passing of Jack. I waited on Jack & Angie at the Piccolino for many years. He was a fine man, and, Angie was a sweetheart.

Denise - January 18, 2018 at 12:10 PM

LD

“ Sorry for your loss, A nice guy, Glad he lived long and had a great life. Hope they're happy together on the other side.

Lynn and Marie Denis - January 17, 2018 at 05:16 PM

NC

“ My sincere sympathy. Always loved Jack and his smile and good nature.
Love, Cousin Norma

Norma Corey-Lambert - January 17, 2018 at 08:37 AM

JF

“ We were all saddened to hear about Jack's passing and although he had a full, rewarding life, he will truly be missed by all.

He was a great Brother-in-law, Husband, Uncle, Father, and Friend to us all.

Jim Mace & Family - January 17, 2018 at 07:09 AM

LR

“ Such a loving tribute to your father, Bill! Deepest condolences to you and your family. God bless your Mom and Dad!

Lisa R. - January 16, 2018 at 09:56 PM

WF

“ I am happy that my father is finally with the love of his life once again, not the least, his lord. He loved his family and his God. He loved my mother and she loved him through thick and thin. She passed uncomfortably knowing he needed her. He never quit thinking about her and perhaps, now jubilant over his own passing, transforms both of their sadness to joy in the company of God. I look forward to honor my father with all of you and am grateful for your caring. Jack was fine man who honored his work with his local masonic lodge; Caleb Butler in Ayer. He reached out to other men and their families, expressing a love for humankind, offering help wherever he could and living his truth. I miss you Dad.

William Ford - January 16, 2018 at 09:22 PM

JM

“ TROOPER. R.I.P.

James Mahaffey - January 16, 2018 at 12:41 PM

BL

“ We are very saddened by the loss of your dad. Our condolences to the family. May your dad finally be in peace and reunited with his beloved wife Angie. We will cherish the memories. May you keep their memories close to your heart.

Barbara& Chet Lear - January 16, 2018 at 10:20 AM