

Mr. William Balm

William Norman Balm, 93, of Frederick, left for his Heavenly Home at his residence Wednesday, March 5, 2008. He was the husband of the late Mary Virginia Humm Balm, who passed away June 13, 2005. Born in Philadelphia, Pa. Dec. 3, 1914, he was the son of Edward and Axia Ann (Mercer) Balm.

Mr. Balm was a longtime member of the South End Baptist Church and a former member at First Baptist Church in Frederick, where he served as a deacon and treasure. He was employed as a treasurer by J.M. Bucheimer Leather Company where he worked for many years. He was also a member and past president of the Lyons Club. Mr. Balm was a veteran of the Army Air Force serving in the Philippines during World War II. He was an avid reader and loved his family and the Lord.

Mr. Balm was the loving father of Elaine L. Balm of Frederick; Wendy M. Gibson and husband, John of Frederick; and Marcie L. Dorcus and husband, Steve of Thurmont. He was the devoted grandfather of Ben Pastorius of Denver, Colo., Ian, Seth Allison, and Kyle Darcus, all of Thurmont. He is also survived my many nieces and nephews.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, March 10, at the Keeney & Basford, P.A., Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, at South End Baptist Church, 506 Carrollton Drive, Frederick, MD 21701. The interment will be at Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Frederick. Rev. J. Kenneth Stalls will officiate.

Contributions may be made in Mr. Balm's name to: Alzheimer's Association, 108 Byte Drive, Suite 103, Frederick, MD 21702; Hospice of Frederick County, P.O. Box 1799, Frederick, MD 21702; or to the South End Baptist Church at the above address. Condolences may be shared with the family by going to www.keeneybasford.com.