



Mr. Clarence M. Bannister

January 1, 1924 - March 31, 2024

Mr. Clarence M. Bannister, 100, of Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts, formerly of Washington, DC, died peacefully in his sleep on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024. Clarence, affectionally known as “CB” to friends and family, was born January 1, 1924, in Winchester, Virginia. He is preceded in death by his wife, Ethel V. (Craig) Bannister. They were married on September 17, 1948, and were together for 71 years until her passing in 2019.

Clarence was a sergeant in the U.S. Army and was inducted into service on June 28, 1943, where he served in the Pacific Theater during WWII and was stationed in the Philippines. He earned several medals for his service: the Pacific Theatre Service Medal with one bronze star, the Good Conduct Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Upon his discharge from military service, Clarence worked as a Produce Manager for Giant Foods, in Washington, DC. In 1968, Clarence moved his family to Vineyard Haven, MA (Martha’s Vineyard). He retired from the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co, more commonly known as A&P grocery store, in Edgartown, MA, where he worked as a produce manager.

Clarence loved spending time with family and friends and was always ready to engage in conversation with those around him. He loved meeting people and people loved meeting him. In his retirement years, he enjoyed traveling with his wife to European countries, especially their trip together to visit the Vatican in Rome.

He is survived by sons Quinton Bannister (Vineyard Haven, MA) and Amaury

(Anne) Bannister (Washington, DC).

Visitation will be held Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 7pm – 8pm at Pope Funeral Home, 5538 Marlboro Pike, District Heights, MD.

A graveside service will be held at 10am, Monday, April 15, 2024 at Resurrection Cemetery, 8000 Woodyard Rd, Clinton, Maryland.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM.

Resurrection Cemetery