

# HOMETOWN HEROES

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*presented by*

THEIR FAMILIES

*and*

THE TOWN OF KILMARNOCK





TO KILMARNOCK AND OUR  
HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM

On behalf of the Kilmarnock Town Council and myself, we hope you will enjoy these tributes to the men and women who contributed so much with their service to our country. They are from our immediate area but also from across this great country of ours and now we proudly showcase them in Kilmarnock. While many have passed away, others are living here in our community.

This idea came to us from Laura and Daniel Stoddard who saw this concept in Canada and thought we could and should do something similar. Laura and Daniel, we thank you. To all the families who generously brought in their pictures and stories, please accept our gratitude and that of everyone who views these banners.

With warmest regards,

Mayor Shawn E. Donahue

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**WALTER H. ABBOTT**

Sergeant Walter Abbott served with the 805th Tank Destroyers from August 1942 to December 1944. He was among the first American soldiers to Kasserine Pass, fought in the fierce combat to take Rome and landed at Anzio. As a unit attached to the famed 751st Tank Destroyers, he saw fierce action throughout Europe. As a forward reconnaissance sergeant, Sgt. Abbott was frequently within yards of enemy positions. He was a soldiers' soldier. Given by Ruby Abbott.

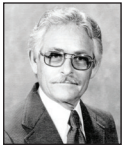
**Location:** Visiting Angels window**WARREN LORENZO ALLEN**

Served in the USMC (MAG-29) from 1980 -1984 and the USAFR (459th ARW) from 1984-2013. While assigned to 459th ARW he was activated in 2003 for Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and in 2011 for

Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) in which he was deployed to France, Turkey and Afghanistan. He received the following medals after his deployment, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border, Air Force Commendation Medal. In 2013, after 23 years of service he retired at rank of Master Sergeant. He is the son of the late Arthur "Boots" and Grace Allen, graduated from Lancaster High School in 1980 and currently resides in Alexandria, VA. Presented by Danny Dilver, Glendora Smith, Cynthia Allen, Deirdre Allen, Karen Elmore and Kadeem Allen.

**Location:** The Highlander Studio**ASHBY LEE ALLEN**

U.S. Army  
Given by Glenn and Virginia Allen and Stephen D. Allen.

**Location:** Cralle Court pole**IRA EDWIN ALLISON**

Uncle Ed was born in Fairport, VA. At the age of 13, his father died suddenly leaving him as the head of household for six people. He worked on the water like his father until he was 18. Once old enough for the military he enlisted in the Navy. He served three years and during this time served as captain of a ship delivering equipment to Normandy Beach on D-Day. When he returned home he continued to care for his mother and siblings until they were old enough to leave home. One sister had a son at the age of 16 and Uncle Ed raised him as his own. During this time his wife became ill and he took care of her until her death in 1989. He also took care of his mother until her death in 2000. Currently, he is caring for a lady friend in Mississippi and he will be 100 in May 2023!

Given by: Donna L. Gould

**Location:** Cralle Court Pole**JOE D. ALTAFFER**

Joe was born in 1927 in Warsaw, VA. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was decorated with a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart, just to name a few. Given by: Blaine, Beth, Nate, Kasey, and

Brent Altaffer

**Location:** N. Main St/ Higher Health pole**RICHARD ARNETT**

Richard Arnett from Wicomico Church was drafted in 1970. 1st of the 7th Calvary, Charlie Company in Vietnam. He was wounded in 1970 and was sent home with a Purple Heart. He resumed duty until 1979 in the United States and returned to Wicomico Church, VA after duty as a Spec 4. Presented by his wife Glenda Arnett.

**Location:** Audiology window**JAMES EARL ASHBURN**

James Earl Ashburn was a Petty Officer of the Navy during WWII (1942-1945). He drove the boat to deliver sailors to the mainland. He was wounded by scrap metal and was admitted to the hospital

in Guam. Presented by James William Ashburn and Linda B. Ashburn.

**Location:** S. Main St./AWL pole**JACK T. BAILEY**

Jack served in the Navy for 23 years. His first ship was the USS Trenton and his second ship was the USS Iowa. From there he was stationed in Washington DC. After his stay in DC, he was on the USS Laboon, where he was a plankowner. He was stationed for the last time in Jacksonville Florida at NAS Jax, where he would retire. Presented by Eddie Headley and Samantha Love.

**Location:** S. Main St./AWL pole**H. J. "CHINK" BARNES & LOUISE WALKER BARNES**

This team marries prior to the war; "Chink" fought at Guadalcanal in the Pacific Theatre. Louise was in the Army Nurse Corps stationed at Hammond General Hospital in Modesto, CA. She followed news of Chink's units through her patients at the hospital. Both returned to Kilmarnock; Chink worked at Kilmarnock Drug Company. Presented by Jan Hovland, their daughter.

**Location:** Noblett, Inc window



**RAYMOND P. BARNES**

A native of Chepachet, Rhode Island, Ray Barnes was a career U.S. Air Force officer serving over 20 years. He was a procurement officer serving our country during WWII, the Korean War and the

Vietnam War. He was stationed on Air Force bases from Alaska, Ohio, New Jersey, Alabama, the Philippines, and Washington D.C. He retired from the military in Fairfax, VA as a Lt. Colonel, and he is buried in Arlington National Cemetery with his wife. Presented by his daughter, Barbara (Barnes) Olin.

**Location:** Irvington Corner/Street pole



**R. EVERETT BARRETT**

Born and raised in Warsaw/Tappahannock VA. Everett is survived by 8 brothers and sisters, his mother Mary and his father Arthur. He was always known to be a

jokester along with his lifetime friend, Robie Hite. He graduated from the Job Corps and then joined the USMC in 1980. While stationed in Beirut, Lebanon, he was among 240 others killed in the Beirut barracks bombing on October 23rd, 1983. Always remembered; Never Forgotten. Semper Fi. Presented by the Barrett Family.

**Location:** Visiting Angels window



**SALVATORE K. BAVUSO**

A Yorktown native, this doc served for 12 years in the Navy Medical Corps assigned to the Army at Ft. Bragg then to Camp Lejeune followed by Pensacola and China Lake. Now he serves this community at

Bon Secours Medical Group in Lively. Presented by his wife, Katherine, and their mothers.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**HENRY A. BEDELL, JR.**

A 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army from 1943-1946, he served during WWII in Europe. He was in the Sixth Armored Division and received the Silver Star and two Purple Hearts.

Presented by his son, Michael Bedell

former Chief of Police .

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**GERALD R. BELL**

Gerald spent 32 years in the Navy flying jets, serving as a captain on aircraft carriers later on. He met his wife in Alameda, CA, and married on the naval base there. He worked at NATO in Belgium for several

years, and attended flight school with Neil Armstrong. Presented by his daughter, Robin Bell Blake.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window



**WILLIAM L. "BILLY" BELLOWS, JR.**

Billy was a long-time native of Lancaster County as his great Grandfather and family moved to Ocran immediately following the Civil War and founded Bellows & Squires, Inc. (a menhaden fishing fleet and factory).

He served in both WWII and the Korean War. He was an Aircraft Mechanic and served aboard the Aircraft Carrier "USS Rendova". Presented by his son, Tim Bellows, who grew up in Kilmarnock where his dad had an appliance business on Main Street for many years.

**Location:** Masonic parking lot



**ROBERT B. BELLOWS**

Robert "Bob" Bellows enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1967 completing Basic Training and Advanced Infantry training in Fort Jackson, SC. He married his high school sweetheart, Mary Rose, two weeks before

he reported for duty in Vietnam. He was in Light Weapons Infantry in the Vietnam War from 1968-1969. He completed his tour in March, 1969 and finished his service in Fort Monroe, VA and Richmond Kentucky University in 1970 when he returned home to the Northern Neck. Given by Ashley Bellows, Renee McGee and Jason Bellows.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**LEONARD BIRNEY**

Leonard Birney served as a SSGT in the U.S. Marine Corps. He served in the Korean War from 1950-1951 in Pusan, Inchon and Chosin with VMO-6 and then at Quantico with HMX-1. Leonard had a

cottage in Gonyon where he brought family and friends down to the river to enjoy boating, crabbing and fishing. Presented by Robert and Colleen Wheeler.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**RICHARD BLAIN BOWSER**

Richard "Dick" Bowser joins the Navy at 20 years old from his home in Silver Spring, MD. He goes to basic training in Boston but doesn't forget his sweetheart, Nellie. While on a weekend leave, they

decide to get married and invited their friends to the wedding via an advertisement in the local newspaper. He ships out to the Pacific Theatre shortly after Pearl Harbor. Presented by his daughter and her husband, Sue and Ben Burton.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**MORTON THOMAS BRENT**

Morton joined the Marines November 10, 1972, and trained at Camp Lejeune, NC, until July 16, 1973. He served in Newport News, VA, becoming a Lance Corporal in July 1974, followed by Sergeant for

Marines in September 1974. He became a Reservist and spent time at Camp Pendleton until November 1978 and honorably discharged the Marine Corps. Given by Pam Brent, Michael Brent, Matt Brent and Kelly Kellum.

**Location:** Visiting Angels window

**SAMUEL R. BRENT**

Samuel was assigned to HQ Co. 1st Cavalry Division, SFC. He was awarded a good conduct medal, Bronze Star medal, United Nations service medal, Occupational medal (Japan), and the Korean service medal with five bronze stars. Samuel loved America and the freedom it stands for. He took great pride in saluting the flag. Presented by George B. Williams (Topper).

**Location:** Irvington St. Corner/Street pole

**CAREY "DOC" BROADWAY**

In 1955, Cary "Doc" Broadway was commissioned into the USAF as a Second Lieutenant after completing four years of ROTC at Chapel Hill, NC. As a fighter pilot, he had two tours in Vietnam, a command in Korea, and various assignments in many parts of the world and the U.S.A. "Doc" retired after twenty-four years of service as a full Colonel. He and his wife Sue, who live in Merry Point, have two children and seven grandchildren. Presented by Sue Broadway.

**Location:** When Ordinary Won't Do window

**FLETCHER L. BROWN, JR.**

Born in Weems and life-long resident of Kilmarnock, Jr Brown served in the Army during WW II. He was wounded in France near the Belgian border and awarded the purple heart. After recovering in an England

hospital, Jr returned home to work and served his community as a member and chief of the KVFD and member of the KVRS. Presented by his children.

**Location:** Town Hall

**FLETCHER L. BROWN III**

Fletcher was in the Marines from June 10, 1966, to January of 1968. He was in Vietnam for 13 months, transporting troops to the rock pile when his truck was hit by a mine. He received a Purple Heart

for his injury. Presented by Joyce Brown, Fletcher Brown IV, and Sara Cockrell.

**Location:** Town Hall

**ROBERT LEE BUSBY, JR.**

Robert Lee Busby, Jr., was born on November 13, 1911, in Urbanna, son of the late Reverend Robert L. and Mary Lucenia Marston Busby, who served as a pastor to various Methodist churches in the White

Stone area. "Buzz" served in the U.S. Army during WWII at Camp Hale, CO, as a cook for the 10th Mountain Division where soldiers were trained in mountain climbing, Alpine and Nordic skiing, cold weather survival as well as various weapons and ordnance and in New Guinea, South Pacific. Given by the Busby family.

**Location:** N. Main St./Papeterie pole

**ELLIS R. BUSH, JR.**

Ellis Randolph Bush, Jr. was drafted in the U.S. Army in 1962. He was deployed to Vietnam from 1963-1964. He received his honorable discharge from the Army Reserves in 1968. Randy received two

honors: Expert (Rifle M-14) and the AFEXPM (Vietnam). Randy was proud to have served his country.

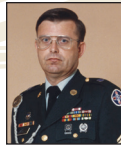
**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GEORGE W. BUSSELLS, JR.**

George Washington Bussells descends from the Ball family of Virginia growing up on Fleets Bay Neck Rd. just outside of Kilmarnock. A WWII vet, he returned to the area following his service. Presented by

his granddaughter, Ann Jones.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**LEROY A. BUSSELLS**

Sergeant Major Bussells, a 1968 graduate of Lancaster HS, was drafted in 1970 and served 30 years of active duty from 1970-2000. Served in Vietnam, Germany and twice in Korea and retired as the Sergeant

Major to The Army Adjutant General. Today he still serves as the Assistant Director, Retiree and Veteran Affairs for the Association of the U.S. Army. Presented by his wife Rochelle and himself.

**Location:** Lancaster Community Library window



**C. PRESTON BUSSELLS**

Col. Bussells, a 1941 graduate of Kilmarnock High School, served as a sergeant-pilot in North Africa and Sicily in WWII and received a direct commission in the Army Air Corp in 1943. He flew 129 combat missions as a command pilot. He was a flight instructor at the Command & Staff College, AL, Deputy Commander 67th AFB Mt. Home, Idaho, Commander 335th Combat Support Takhli Thailand and held executive positions at the Pentagon. Given by Brenda Bussells, Cindy Bray and Jo Ann Barton.

**Location:** Lancaster Community Library window



**CEPHUS M. BUTLER, SR.**

A WWII veteran, Cephus was from Lancaster Courthouse. He spent his service in the Pacific theater where he learned to speak Filipino. He was a barber in the military which became his career.

Presented by his daughter, Roberta Dorman.

**Location:** Lancaster Community Library window



**LYNN KELVIN BUTLER**

This Kilmarnock native served with the 493rd Combat Support Company of the United States Army Forces Command (FORSCOM). He served during Operation Desert Storm and in Somalia. Now

residing in Lancaster, his banner is presented by his son, Antwon Butler.

**Location:** S. Main St./American Standard Insurance pole



**MARK D. BYBEE**

A graduate of Manchester High of Chesterfield, VA, SSG Mark Bybee honorably served in the U.S. Army from 2002-2016 as a signal support systems specialist in the 82nd and 101st Airborne

Divisions-deploying twice to Iraq and twice to Afghanistan. Mark is a Purple Heart recipient and holds awards including six ARCOM, one ARCOM with valor, Pathfinder, Parachutist and Master Driver badges. Mark also earned two Meritorious Unit Citations. Given by Tara and Avery Bybee.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**ENS. JOHN THOMAS CABELL**

John was a 2018 VMI graduate. In 2019 he was an Officer Candidate School Graduate and in 2019 he Ensigned in the Navy. Presented by Johns proud parents Wymond and Caroline Cabell.

**Location:** S. Main St./Rivah pole



**JAMES HENRY CAIN, SR.**

James served in the Army during WWII from 1944-1946, continuing in the Reserve until 1949. As a civilian, he worked as a waterman and a gang carrier for Local 333 Long Shoremen at Dundalk Marine Terminal in Baltimore, MD. His marriage of over 50 years to Bessie Nickens Cain created Florence, Lewis, Alma, James Jr., and Samuel. He served as a deacon at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, passing on May 25, 1993. Given by his children, James Jr., Alma and Samuel Cain.

**Location:** S. Main St. pole/Chandlers



**LEWIS RODNEY CAIN (KIA in VIETNAM)**

This star basketball and baseball player was a 1967 graduate of Brookvale Combine School. He was sent to Vietnam in September 1968 and was killed in action in November of that same year. He was

survived by his parents, James Henry Cain Sr. and Bessie Nickens Cain and his siblings, Florence, Alma, James Jr. and Samuel and his son, Al P. Waddy. Presented by his siblings, James Jr., Alma and Samuel Cain.

**Location:** S. Main St. pole/Chandlers



**WILLIAM D. CAMPBELL**

Born in Chesterfield County in 1928, Bill enlisted in The Navy and served 2 years. He primarily served in Italy and Panama and was involved in the post-war reconstruction effort. Following retirement

from Verizon, he moved to Kilmarnock to hunt and fish. Affectionately known as "Capt'n Catchmore". Presented by his son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Elaine Campbell; daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Mike Smith, and June Turnage.

**Location:** W.F. Booth & Sons Furniture Main St. window



**JOSEPH A. CARLTON**

Joseph A. Carlton, married to Marjorie Carlton served in the U.S. Army. His campaigns included Normandy, Northern France and Ardennes.

Presented by Marjorie Carlton.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JEFF CARROLL**

Staff Sergeant Jeff Carroll served in the U.S. Marine Corps from June 1984 to January 1994. As an infantryman his duty stations included 2nd Marine Division, Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team, Royal

Air Force Base St. Mawgan United Kingdom, and Close Quarter Battle Instructor at the school of Infantry. Given by Marty Carroll and Olivia Carroll

**Location:** Shoe Store window

**FLOYD O. CARTER**

Staff Sergeant Carter served from 1943-1946 in WWII. He was a Construction Tech and a Marksman SS-M-1 rifle and stationed in Paris. Presented by his daughter, Claudette Henderson.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GILBERT EUGENE CHASE**

Gilbert Chase was born to Carrie and Charlie Chase in March 6, 1919 in Hopewell, VA. He and his parents moved back to Kilmarnock in June 1919 where he lived until he died in October, 1972. He was drafted March 21,

1942 and served in England as a Staff Sergeant. He was discharged December 20, 1945. He owned and operated several businesses in Kilmarnock and Lancaster County. Presented by Martha McLaughlin Johnson.

**Location:** Town Hall

**JAMES F. CHASE, JR.**

James F. Chase, Jr. enlisted in the U.S. Army May 6, 1954. He served 22 months. After boot training, he was transferred to Germany where he served as a prison guard at Dachau. He was discharged on April 1,

1956 as Specialist-3 and remained on Reserve for eight years. Given by Katherine H. Chase.

**Location:** Fran's Ultimate Interiors and Gayle's Place window

**HENRI B. CHASE, III**

Born and raised in Kilmarnock. Attended the College of William & Mary and George Washington University. Henri joined the Navy in 1955 and served for 36 years. He was a Carrier Fighter and Light Attack Pilot

with over 1,000 carrier landings, 8,500 hours of flight time, and flew 56 different types of aircraft. Flew under the Robert O. Norris Bridge in a Navy F9F-8B Cougar Jet, just after the bridge was completed. Henri commanded many missions and was promoted to Rear Admiral. He was a commanding officer of VA-105 (A-7 Squadron) which participated in carrier combat air operations in Vietnam. Knighted by the King of Thailand and awarded Royal Order of the White Elephant, Knight Commander. Given by Genny Chase.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Higher Health pole

**ROBERT F. CHILTON**

Robert "Bobby" Chilton was born and raised on the Rappahannock River near Deep Creek. He graduated from Lively High School in 1930 and moved to Arlington, VA for employment. Bobby enlisted in the

Army Air Force on August 1, 1941. Before going overseas, he married Eloise Price of Kilmarnock. He served during WWII in Belgium, Northern France, Germany and Scotland before being honorably discharged as a Master Sergeant on October 21, 1945. After the death of his father in 1947, Bobby returned to Lancaster County to help take care of his mother and raised his family on the family farm. In July of 2008, Bobby passed at the age of 94. Given by Jock Chilton.

**Location:** Lancaster by the Bay Chamber of Commerce window

**JAMES H. COATES**

(POW/KIA)

James Hampton Coates was living in Kilmarnock when he was drafted on December 16, 1942. He was serving with the 13th FAOB and arrived in Europe on

June 7, 1944. Later he was transferred to the 285th Field Artillery Observation Battalion Co.B, where he was taken POW and shortly after was killed in Belgium on December 17, 1944. The Malmedy Massacre. James was survived by his two children, James Hampton Coates, Jr. and Mary Ann Coats Smith. Donated by Mary Ann Coates Smith.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Donna's on Main pole

**EDWARD HUGH COCKRELL**

(KIA in WWII)

PFC Edward Hugh Cockrell was born to Elizabeth and Levering Cockrell in Miskimon, VA. He worked for Farmers Feed Service in Kilmarnock. In 1940, he married

Frances Thrift and together they created Jane who was born in April of 1944. Hugh entered the Army September, 1944 and then trained in Germany in January of 1945. He was killed in action in April, 1945. He was survived by his wife, daughter, mother and sisters (Rebecca Douglas, Dorothy Barrack) and brother, James T. Cockrell. Daughter Jane spent her summers in Miskimon, reading his letters written in his hand. He was a gentle, kind, hardworking man with a love of God, country, family and of helping others. "I am honored being his daughter". Presented by Jane Cockrell-Arp.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole

**WILLIAM MALLORY COCKRELL**

From Miskimon, this 1939 Lively High School grad went into the Army in October 1942. His 41st Field Artillery Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division marched through North Africa, Sicily, Southern France, Germany, Austria and liberated Rome. This Bronze Star recipient returned home in October 1945 and married Elizabeth Forrester two weeks later. Presented by his son, Ed Cockrell and niece, Susan Cockrell.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole**LEONARD LUDWILL COLES**

4th Ranked Specialist, Leonard Ludwill Coles, was born on December 10, 1941, to Otis Penny Coles (White Stone, VA) and Caddie M. (Coles) Tiggie (White Stone, VA). Upon graduating from high school in

Lancaster County, VA, he joined the United States Army as a Field Artillery Fire Finder Radar Operator based in Germany. Leonard resided in White Stone, VA until his death on July 13, 1985, with his wife Lillian, daughter Penny, and sons Corey and Marvin. Presented by Mario and Lesha (loving niece) Williams.

**Location:** Lancaster by the Bay Chamber of Commerce window**OTIS WENDELL COLES, JR.**

Private First Class Otis Wendell Coles, Jr. was born May 2, 1960 to Otis Wendell Coles, Sr (White Stone, VA) and Peggy L. Smith Torres (Lively, VA). When he came of age, five days after graduating from

Oakland Mills High School in Columbia, Maryland, he joined the United States Army as a Fire Support Specialist, determined to be a credit to his country. He returned broken and stricken with diabetes in 1982. Otis resided in Randallstown, Maryland until his death on Saturday, December 9, 2017. Presented by Mr. And Mrs. Mario T. Williams.

**Location:** S. Main St./Rivah pole**JOHN R. CONKLE**

Born on June 29, 1927 to Landona Wright and Frank Clark Conkle. He was the youngest of twelve children and resided in Lancaster County. He enrolled in the Army in 1945. He was a Staff Sergeant. He

married Virginia Hazel Davis on December 15, 1945. They had two children, Raymond Dalen and Janice Yvonne and later adopted Donna Elizabeth. Presented by Janice and James Nelsen. Tammy Nelsen-Eisele, Lisa Marie Bost.

**Location:** Lancaster Community Library window**CLEVELAND M. CONRAD**

Cleveland Conrad entered the Army at an early age. He was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, with a rank of E-4 CPL. He served in the Army during the Korean War from February 1952- February 1955. Presented

by William, Kathy and Kyle Conrad.

**Location:** S. Main St./Waverley Ave. pole**CLARENCE H. COOK**

Part of the 285th Field Observation Battalion in WWII, Clarence was part of the Battle of the Bulge. Originally from Ellicott City, MD, he made Kilmarnock his home for 30 years. Presented by his

daughter, Diane Cook.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family**ROLAND W. COURTNEY**

Roland Walker Courtney was born March 10, 1930 in Millenbeck, VA. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy, February 1952 and completed basic training in Great Lakes, Illinois. Roland saw wartime duty during

the Korean War aboard the USS Missouri. He received the National Defense Service Medal, China Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal and Korean Service Medal with two stars. Roland was honorably discharged, September 1954. Roland lives with his wife of 61 years, Hilda, in Ottoman. Presented by his son, Allan Courtney.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family**HARVEY S. COURTNEY**

Harvey S. Courtney was born in Lancaster County and graduated from Lively High School in 1951. He joined the Air Force in 1953. He served 4 years as a helicopter mechanic and was honorably discharged

in 1957. After returning home he married Clara Lee Haynie of Lively. He spent 32 years working for Hercules Power Company in Hopewell, VA. After retirement, he spent his remaining years in Prince George County. Presented by Clara Lee, his wife and children Faron, Harvia, and Kelly.

**Location:** NAPA window**DAVID A. CRANDALL**

David A. Crandall was born August 12, 1930, in White Stone, VA. After graduation from White Stone High School, he worked 2 seasons in Montauk, NY. He then joined the Air Force in 1951 and was discharged in

1956. After discharge, he worked for Tidewater Telephone Co., now Verizon for 32 years. Upon retirement, he worked on the water, trap fishing, crabbing and gill netting which he loved. David died February 12, 2016. Presented by Betty K. Crandall.

**Location:** Town Hall

**PHILIP CROSS**

Philip served with the 2nd Missile Battalion, 81st Artillery in Erlangen, Germany (1962-1963). He was a propulsion system mechanic on the first nuclear missiles that were deployed to

Europe during the Cold War. Presented by Rebecca Cross.  
**Location:** N. Main St./Masonic Lot pole

**J. EMORY CURRELL**

Joseph Emory Currell served as a medic in the U.S. Army in WWI. After the war, he resided in Kilmarnock and was the publisher of the Rappahannock Record newspaper from 1927-1993. Presented

by his granddaughter Kate Gaskins Oliver.  
**Location:** Rappahannock Record window

**HOVEY RICE CURRY (KIA IN VIETNAM)**

Hovey, the son of Alonzo and Marey Elizabeth Curry, a rifleman in the 1st Marines Corps, was killed in Vietnam in a helicopter crash in 1968, at the age of 22. Hovey was the second serviceman to lose

his life from the Northern Neck. All who knew him realized that his family and friends suffered a great loss. Presented by his brother, Joe Curry.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**M. EVERETT DAMERON**

From Remo in Northumberland County, this sailor served from 1942 to 1945 aboard ship where he was a machinist's mate, keeping the ship running. The war took him to the Pacific Theatre and ports as far

away as Burma (now Myanmar). Presented by his son, Marvin Dameron.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**ERNEST H. DANIEL, JR.**

Colonel Ernest "Humphrey" Daniel, Jr. born in Washington DC, graduated from VMI in 1929 with a commission as 2nd Lieutenant, Cavalry, U.S. Army. After

graduating from Command and General Staff College in 1941, he was assigned active duty, Army HQ 3rd Corps and later, War Plans Division. He served in the North African Theater of Operations with duty in Scotland, Morocco, Algeria, and Sicily. Promoted to Colonel in 1944, he received the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and Bronze Arrowhead. Before his passing in 1987, he spent many summer days with his wife Helen, children and grandchildren in Irvington, VA. Presented by is grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Location:** NAPA window

**A. J. "JOE" DAVIS, SR.**

A. J. (Joe) Davis. He was in the 304TH Signal Battalion and a Korean War Veteran. He was in the Army from 1948-1952.

Presented by his children: Lonnie, Tom and Jimmy Davis, Phyllis O'Brien and Pam Fox.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**EDWARD JEFFERSON DAVIS, SR.**

Edward J entered the Army in 1943 and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He exited the service in May of 1946, came home to Kilmarnock marrying Peggy George,

(whom he met in math class at White Stone High School), in October of 1946. He served his community on the home front—as Kilmarnock's Mayor for 24 years.

Presented, in gratitude for his dedication to the community, by the Town of Kilmarnock.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**EMORY "EARL" DAVIS**

Emory Earl Davis joined the Army in October of 1950 and was discharged in July of 1952. He trained at Camp Pickett and served in the Korean War. Given by Tommy, LuAnne and Alison Davis.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**HUBBARD ASHBURN DAVIS**

A graduate of Lancaster High School, Sergeant Major Davis joined the Navy in 1971 serving 6 years on board the USS Trenton and several other overseas assignments. In 1977, he joined the Army Reserves

serving 16 years as an MP Instructor, Drill Sergeant, and the Commandant of the 8830th Drill Sergeant School. Retiring in 1993 as the Command Sergeant of the 2070th U.S. Army Reserve Forces School. He also served 25 years in the Hampton Police Department as a Captain and Chief of Detectives. Presented by his brother, Capt. J.C. Davis III.

**Location:** Town Hall

**JAMES "CLIFF" DAVIS III**

A graduate of Lancaster High School, he joined the Navy in 1966. He was a LINE and a SC Officer on various ships and CONUS and OCONUS shore commands. He was the Commanding Officer of FISC

Guam in the Mariana Islands, retiring in 2003 after 37 years of service as the Office in Charge of the Naval Weapons Station Yorktown Cheatham Annex. His awards include 3 Legion of Merit honors, 4 for Meritorious Service and 3 Navy Commendations. He is married to the former Donna Bernardi, residing in Williamsburg, VA. Presented by his brother, Sergeant Major Hubbard Davis.

**Location:** Town Hall



**WILLIAM FRANCIS DAVIS**

Engineer Supply Technician, he supervised the storage of engineer supplies such as construction materials and heavy construction machinery in an open storage area. He supervised as many as 200 in

unloading and loading supplies. He used cranes to move heavy construction materials. He operated Army tugboats in transporting supplies. During Dad's service he was injured in a logging accident. The German POW's which were under his watch, rescued him and saw that he was transported to a hospital. He served 27 months overseas in England and France. A WWII vet from February 1943-January 1946.

Presented by Penny McBride, Ann Gill and Sherry Ketner.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**ERNEST TAYLOR DELANO**

Ernest Taylor Delano was born and raised in Mila, VA. He served in the Army in the Anti-Tank Company, 179th Infantry during WWII in Europe. He made his living on the water oystering and crab potting as a young

man and as a captain for the menhaden fishing industry. He loved his property at Cranes Creek, his boat the "Miss Niki", his garden, his many friends and being a grandfather and a great-grandfather. Presented by his daughters and his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Son Furniture window



**G. C. DAWSON**

G. C. was from Northumberland County, born December 3, 1922. In March of 1943, G. C. went into the Navy and served aboard 3 Liberty ships(freighters) as a Gunner.

The ships were John W. Garrett, Edwin A.

Stephens, and the Matthew J. Obrien, all hauling supplies to others. Their mission was unloading bombs in Lingayen Gulf (Philippines) to bomb Iwo Jima. They dropped out of convoy due to mechanical trouble, another took their place and was bombed! Given by Geneva Dawson, Helen Haynie, Carolyn Sanders, Danny Sanders, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Location:** Rappahannock Art Center



**STANLEY W. DIGGS, SR.**

Stanley W. Diggs, Sr. is a 1965 graduate of Brookvale High School and was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1966. While serving in Vietnam, he earned the Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Service Stars. He

received an honorable discharge in 1968. After the Army, he moved to New York City where he retired from the NYC Transit. He resides in New York with his wife. He has two children and seven grandchildren. Presented by his wife Diane, his children, Stanley Jr., Angela and Calvin Jr., and his seven grandchildren.

**Location:** S. Main St./When Ordinary Won't Do pole



**ROBERT G. DEGEN**

Bob is a decorated combat veteran of Vietnam 1968-1971, honorably discharged as Captain. Following the Army, he joined the U.S. Secret Service, where he served for 21 years, handling not only Protective

duties but the Financial Crimes Division. He went on to a 2nd 19 year career with Western Union, served as SVP Security. Bob holds numerous patents for fraud detection and mitigation systems. He was awarded the CIA's George H. W. Bush Excellence in Counterterrorism medal following September 11, 2001. Presented by Judith Degen.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**ANDREW "SONNY" DIX**

Better known as Sonny Boy Dix. Born September 10, 1931. His older brother Richard Frank Dix, Jr. was Master Sergeant in the Army, so Sonny decided to follow in his footsteps and join the Air Force during

the Korean War, where he was stationed in England. His parents fell ill and since he was the youngest son of two at war, he was honorably discharged and returned to the Northern Neck to take care of his parents. He had a passion for being on the water where he worked and retired as Maritime Captain of a barge hauling crude oil and asphalt. Sonny spent his years of retirement cruising the waters of the Rappahannock and Chesapeake Bay and spending time always helping friends and family. Presented by Alice Dix.

**Location:** N. Main Street/ Donna's on Main pole



**CHARLES EDWARD DIXON, SR.**

This veteran left Kilmarnock and went to Europe near the end of WWI. The Red Cross sent his mother a postcard to say he had arrived! Upon his return, he operated the Lancaster Roller Mill for many years. The mill still stands today, just north of town. Presented by his son, Charles Edward Dixon, Jr.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**CHARLES EDWARD DIXON, JR.**

This Kilmarnock native headed to Vietnam from 1968 to 1969. The Army returned him safely to the community. Presented by Lorraine, Edward and Melinda Dixon—his biggest fans.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JESSE DIZE**

Jesse is deeply admired and honored for his valor and returning to his devoted family as a highly decorated Army Combat Helicopter Pilot. While serving in Vietnam, he had a distinguished 26 year career

earning the Legion of Merit, three Distinguished Flying Crosses for Valor, two Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts. He continuously serves his community for nearly 20 years in a variety of roles. He taught for 14 years at Lancaster Middle School and was its 2<sup>nd</sup> football coach. A devoted husband of 47 years, father of 3 daughters, and 9 grandchildren. Presented by his wife, Sheila Dize.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window

**DONALD GREY DOEPE**

Donald Doeppe was a Richmond, VA native and graduate of Randolph-Macon College. He attended the Medical College of Virginia and graduated from the School of Pharmacology. He served in the Army from

1951 to 1953. He is the father to Pam and Debbie. Given by Priscilla D. Doeppe and Pamela Doeppe Chapman.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**DAN DOMANOWSKI**

In 1966, Dan Domanowski enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. At age 18, he was sent to fight the Vietnam War. Dan had a wife and young son. He came home after his 13 month tour of duty. He served a total of six years. Given by Patricia Willis and the Domanowski family.

**Location:** Masonic parking lot

**ROBERT L. DOMINICK**

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps, 1942-1968, in WWII (Asiatic Pacific theater), China, the Korean War, and Vietnam, retiring as a Colonel. Following military service he worked for Columbia

Research as a senior engineer, Electronic Data Systems as a regional manager, and Potomac Research as Vice President. In 1984, he and his wife moved to Weems. Presented by his son and daughter, Bob and Maggie Dominick.

**Location:** Town Hall

**EDWARD S. DONAHUE**

At age 19, Ed left Vermont to serve in the Army. He served from 1943-1946 as a Signalman taking part in the Asiatic Pacific Theater campaign and Philippine Liberation. He'd proudly display the flag on

Veterans Day, Memorial Day and the 4th of July. He returned home, met and married Beverly, had 4 children, then moved to Washington State where they spent 60 years together.

One of Ed's sons, a granddaughter, and great-grandson now live in Kilmarnock, VA. Presented by his granddaughter, Tara Donahue and his daughter, Kerry Tezak.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole

**JEFFREY S. DOSS**

Chief Master Sergeant Doss retired as Chief, Enlisted Aircrew, 352nd Special Operations Group, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom. He led 71 enlisted aviators in career development, assignment actions

and weapon system employment. He was the elemental advisor to Air Staff/HQ AFPC for Career Enlisted Aviator recruitment/retraining programs. As the Group senior enlisted aviator, he ensured combat effectiveness of two weapon systems throughout multiple AORs and advised 352 SOG/CC on enlisted crew retention, management and professional development. Given by Sheryl Stuck and Carol Wathan.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GUS DUNAWAY**

Serving from 1952 to 1953, Gus was part of the 58th Engineering Float Bridge, building pontoon bridges during the Korean War.

Following the war, he returned home and worked for Smith Corporation in Port Monmouth, NJ where he was a crew member aboard one of their boats. Later, he went to Louisiana as a crew member and self-proclaimed to be the "nosiest rascal on the boat". Very early in this part of his career, he was assigned to the pilot house where he "was the only man to hold the boat on point"

which was done manually at that time. Getting his mate's and pilot's licenses, he served 20 years as a boat Captain for Zapata Haynie. Hailing from Black Stump in Lancaster County, VA, he and his wife are the parents of 2 boys and 5 girls (including 2 sets of twins!). Presented by the Dunaway family.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**GEORGE W. ELBOURN**

Born and raised in White Stone, George served as an ARMY MP in WWII and was discharged in Boca Raton, FL, on May 23, 1946. The father of five boys and two girls, he died 54 years to the day of his discharge

on May 23, 2000. Presented by his family.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church parking lot



**TAZEWELL ELLETT III**

This Marine (Third Battalion, Seventh Regiment, First Marine Division) fought in the battles of Peleliu and Okinawa in the Pacific Theatre in WWII. He lived to 90 years of age and is honored here by his son, Ted Ellett.

**Location:** Town Hall



**JOHN H. ELLIOTT, JR.**

John attended and graduated from Officers Training School at the U.S. Naval Academy in 1969. His active duty began when he was assigned to the USS Newport News. John had a vast and successful career, but

he is proudest of his years serving in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. Given by Laura J. Elliott.

**Location:** Town Hall



**WILLIAM L. ELSWICK**

Billy was born and raised in White Stone, VA. Born 1948 and graduated from Lancaster high school in 1967. He worked for the Lancaster County Sheriff's office from 1981-2007 and retired in 2007. He is currently

the post commander for the American Legion and has been a member since 1989. Presented by W. Troy Elswick.

**Location:** S. Main St./Rappahannock Hang-up's pole



**WILLIAM E. EUSTACE**

William joined the war effort at the age of 17 after graduating from high school at 16 the month before. As a technical sergeant in B-17 aircraft in Central Europe, his specialty was as a radio operator-mechanic-gunner 757. He was awarded 5 Bronze Stars. Three and one half years later in 1946, he attended and graduated from George Washington University and then worked for the Defense Department for 30 years as Deputy Executive Director of Supply Operations. Presented by his daughter, Debra Eustace and Karen Stickel.

**Location:** Town Hall



**WOODROW P. EVANS, SR.**

Woodrow entered the Army on the 11th day of March 1963 at Fort Jackson, SC. He left there 5 days later for Fort Gordon, GA for eight weeks of basic training. After that he went to Fort Sill, OK for eight additional

weeks. He was then sent by ship to Germany to the 38th Artillery where he served for 18 months. He was discharged at Fort Hamilton on February 28, 1965. Given by NAPA of Kilmarnock.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JEFFREY H. FARGO**

Jeffrey Fargo served from 1971 to 1974 as an Airborne infantryman. He enlisted of Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as an Ordnance officer in 1982. In 1996, he began working as a Latin America

Foreign Area Officer. He was stationed in several overseas assignments in his career such as Germany, Greece, Panama and Peru, as well as many stateside tours. Colonel Fargo retired on June 30th, 2012 with 33 1/2 years of service. Given by Laura and Daniel Stoddard and Shelley Fargo.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**MICHAEL DOUGLAS FAULKNER**

Following graduation from Lancaster High School and Christopher Newport University, Michael enlisted in the Navy in January 2017. He was deployed to Persian Gulf aboard the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower

in 2018. He was an Aviation Electrician's Mate 3rd class. He was responsible for the upkeep and repair of electrical and navigational systems on the MH-605 search and rescue helicopters. Presented by Michele D. Faulkner, his sisters Lindsey and Lisa, his wife Christine and brother-in-law Justin George.

**Location:** Ross's Fine Jewelers window



**DONALD FAULTEROY, SR.**

Born August 1, 1938 in Palmer (White Stone), VA. On February 22, 2021 he was called home to be with the Lord. He served in the Army from August 1955- March 1959. He was called "Donald Duck" and

full of laughs. Donald cherished his 16 grandchildren and has 28 great grandchildren and counting. His greatest joy was making people laugh and joking. Presented by Donald Fautleroy Jr. and Derrek Fautleroy.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot



**FRANKLIN W. FISHER, SR.**

Franklin served during the Korean era from 1953-54. He left Kilmarnock for Kentucky where he was assigned to the Army's leadership school. Upon graduation he attended Tank Commander training in the 3rd Armored Division in Fort Knox where he named his tank after his loving wife "CUTE SHIRLEY". He finished his service in Fort Hood, TX. Following his service he returned to Kilmarnock where he worked as a general contractor for over 35 years. Given by Jeanette Viernes.

**Location:** Waverly Ave pole**JUSTIN T. FISHER**

Trey was raised in Kilmarnock and graduated from Lancaster High School in 2014. Trey went to work for Huntington Ingalls, Newport News Shipbuilding for six years before enlisting in the USMC in September of 2022. Trey graduated from Parris Island, SC, in December and is currently stationed at SOI East, Camp Geiger, NC. Given by Garnett and Lisa Fisher.

**Location:** S. Main St/ Chitterchat's Second Scoop Pole**ELTON J. FORRESTER**

Elton entered the army in July 1944 at Fort Meade, MD. He served in the 19th Armored Infantry Division through Northern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe. Elton was a bronze star recipient and returned home to Miskimon in November 1945. He worked for Allis-Chalmers company and Virginia Freight Lines in Kilmarnock until retirement. Presented by his son-in-law Tucker Beane and grandson Hunter Beane.

**Location:** Town Hall**GUY, HAROLD & DANNY FRANKLIN**

These 3 brothers served in the Army (Guy and Danny) and the Air Force (Harold) during the 1960's. Each had a different route but all found their way into Vietnam and returned. Hailing from Irvington. Presented by themselves.

**Location:** Town Hall**ROBERT S. GALLIMORE, SR.**

Bob was born in Hong Kong in 1920, growing up in China. Served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He worked for the Associated Press from 1950-85; serving as the AP Bureau Chief in Richmond for the State of Virginia. He retired to Lancaster County in 1985. Given by Steve Gallimore.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family**FRANK H. GALLOWAY, JR.**

Frank H. Galloway, Jr. served in the U.S. Army from October 16, 1950, to October 16, 1952, and he earned the rank of Corporal. Frank completed his basic and culinary training at Fort Sill in Oklahoma. Frank became a Master Chef and he was assigned to the 2nd Field Battalion at Fort Sill. Frank proudly served in the U.S. Army during his military career. Given by his wife, Geraldine Galloway, and daughter and son-in-law, Kermit Pinkard and Francine Galloway Pinkard.

**Location:** Town Hall**GARNETT ARNOLD GEORGE**

Born and raised in White Stone, VA, Garnett served in the 5th Air Force as a PFC in Okinawa Japan in WWII. Born in 1927 and married to Catherine with two sons, Garnett Arnold Jr. and Edwin (Buddy) Lee. Garnett served for one year from 1944 to 1945 where he was honorably discharged. Given by Buddy and Karen George.

**Location:** Town Hall**MARVIN L. GEORGE**

Marvin Lewis George was born November 21, 1922 in Bluff Point, VA to Gordon D. and Blanche L. George. In 1945, he joined the Army and was stationed in Japan. His happiest times were those with his family; his wife Alease, daughters, Margaret and Maida, sons-in-law, Don and Mark and grandchildren, Daniel, Lesley, Bryant and Catherine. Presented by Margaret George Headley.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family**ROLAND W. GEORGE**

PFC George served in WWII in the Third Army, 3rd Armor Division under General George Patton. Patton's tank corps played key roles in the European theater including beating back the last German offensive in the Battle of the Bulge. He was a tank driver from the summer of 1944 until he was wounded in the spring of 1945. He is a Purple Heart recipient and honorably discharged. Presented by his family and Hubbard and Cliff Davis.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**CHARLES H. GERHART**

Charles completed his training and schooling in Connecticut. In 1955 upon graduation, he was assigned to the Coast Guard Cutter Yakutat in New Bedford, Massachusetts where he patrolled the Atlantic to Bermuda to Newfoundland. Training at sea with the cadets, the ship was diverted to the rescue of the Stockholm and the Andrea Doria collision on July 26, 1956 off Cape Cod. It promoted one of the largest civilian maritime rescues in history with 51 lives lost. Charles was deployed to Martha's Vineyard as a Boarding Officer, prior to discharge. Presented by his wife Georjean and children Mark Gerhart and Angela Wakefield.

**Location:** NAPA window



**HERMAN S. GILL, SR.**

Herman was from Lancaster, VA. He served in the Navy aboard the U.S.S. Schmitt APD76 for 31 months (1943-1946). During this time, he was promoted from fireman third class to machinist's mate first class.

He was the leading machinist's mate aboard the ship. His duties included directing work for about 25 men in operations, maintenance and repair of main propulsion and auxiliary machinery of the 12,000 horse power plant. Medals awards American Area, Victory World War II, Asiatic Pacific and 1 Star. Given by the Family of Herman Gill

**Location:** Town Hall



**WAYLAND R. GILL**

Wayland was born in Miskimon, VA. Wayland enlisted in the Navy in Richmond, VA on July 13, 1938. He left California on the U.S.S. Henderson in 1940. Wayland was on his way home from Pearl Harbor

when Pearl Harbor was bombed in 1941. Presented by the family of Herman Gill his brother.

**Location:** Town Hall



**J. POMEROY GORDON**

James was from South Hill, Virginia. He served as a mechanic in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific during World War II, on a hospital ship. Immediately after the war he married Anna Maphis Blackwell, who brought him to the Northern Neck. Here they would build a house on Mill Creek in Northumberland and spend many years together. Pomeroy and Anna have four children, James, Robert, George, and Anne and several grandchildren. Given by Frederick, Thomas, Stephen, and Nathan Parker to Pomeroy's daughter Anne Gordon.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window



**WILLIAM S. GOSS**

Bill lived and breathed the USMC. Serving from 1964-1967. He was born and raised in White Stone, and was most well-known for his years on the radio, 101.7 WKWI and 103.9 WWND. He passed away in February

2018 and is missed by so many for his larger than life personality and that voice. Presented by Maeghaen, Jack, Otto and Brody Eley.

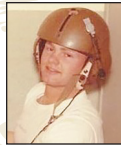
**Location:** Ross's Fine Jewelers window



**A B GRAVATT**

Colonel Gravatt was commissioned in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on November 22, 1968. He served in Vietnam in 1971 followed by assignments at Fort Bragg, Fort Benning, West Point, Commander of the 65th Engineer Battalion, 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii, U.S. Army War College and Director of Public Works at Fort Lewis and Fort Eustis. Colonel Gravatt retired with 31 years of service on 30 November 1998 to historic Lansdowne in Urbanna, VA. Presented by the Colonel.

**Location:** Town Hall



**WILLIAM J. GRAVES, JR.**

Bill was a Warrant Officer in the U.S. Army after leaving Ohio State College ROTC program as a Navy Midshipman to enlist. His active service was in the 2nd Engineer Unit in charge of the Air Unit in South

Korea. As a helicopter pilot, he shuttled VIPs in and around Korea and the DMZ. He received medals for Good Conduct, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Army Aviator Badge, and the National Defense Service Medal. Presented by Ruthe Forrest.

**LOCATION:** Banner returned to his family



**MERTON T. GREEN**

Born in Kilmarnock and raised in Brown's Store, VA. Merton is 9 of 11 children born to David and Elsie Green, Sr. He is 1 of 4 sons to serve in the U.S. Military. He served at the following duty stations: twice in Turkey and Saudi Arabia, once in Washington D.C., Denver CO, Hampton, VA, and Sunnyvale, CA. He served from September 1978 until he retired in October 1998. Presented by Regina Green his wife and his family.

**Location:** Visiting Angels window

**TERRELL E. GREENE**

Terrell E. Greene served in the Army Air Corps as a weather officer with the 301st Heavy Bombardment Group (B-17s) in Italy and later with the Air Transport Command in Casablanca, Arabia and Egypt during

WWII, retiring with the rank of Captain. After the war, he worked at the Rand Corporation for 17 years in research for the Air Force and served 9 years on the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board. Given by Pat and Bill Throckmorton.

**Location:** N. Main St./Masonic Lot pole

**JAMES A. GREGG**

A Lancaster County native, James Gregg proudly entered service December 22, 1941 at Camp Lee, VA. WW II took him to the Pacific Theatre starting in Sydney, Australia. He served as a Private Basic, Seaman and a Technician/5 Boat Operator, finishing in Yokohama, Japan. Honors included APT Campaign Medal with 1 Bronze Service Star, Philippine Liberation Medal, Good Conduct Medal AR600-68, and Victory Medal.

January 15, 1946 received his Honorable Discharge at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. James kept a personal, pocket diary during his time in service and this bio is from those notes. Presented by his daughter Judy Gregg Stevens.

**Location:** Town Hall

**DR. SNOWDEN C. HALL JR.**

Dr. Snowden Cowman Hall, Jr. was born in 1903 in the Bluff Point neck of lower Northumberland County, VA. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the College of William and Mary in 1923. He became principal of

a small high school and also taught for several years around Northumberland County. In 1930, he graduated from Harvard Medical School. During WWII, he served as a Commander in the U.S. Navy, stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Presented by his children: Snowden, James and Ida Hall; his grandchildren: Preston, Brandon and Evan Hall; his great grandchildren: Emma, James, Marshall, Wesley, Benji, Spencer and Thomas Hall.

**Location:** N. Main St./Hubbard Insurance pole

**WILLARD "MICKEY" HALL**

Willard "Mickey" Hall 1924-2018. Born and raised in Irvington, VA. He graduated from White Stone High school and after graduation joined the Navy. A WWII Veteran 1943-1945. He served aboard

the U.S.S. Arkansas, S1c. Served in Asiatic-Pacific, in Normandy, France during the invasion, in Japan at Okinawa, Iwo-Jima and Nagasaki, the European-African Theater, and the Philippines Liberation. He was awarded four silver stars and received honorable discharge. Given by his wife Esther G. Hall and his daughter Carolyn H. Elliott.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**JAMES M. HAMILTON**

Born James Morton Hamilton in Galston, East Ayrshire, Scotland—the town next to Kilmarnock in 1922. He came to the U.S. at 2 years old—later joining the Army Air Corps in WWII and then the Air Force in Korea,

serving until 1967. He and his wife, Sarah, raised 7 children. Presented by one of his five daughters, Kris Beach.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JOHN PAUL HANBURY**

John Paul served on active duty from June 1957 to June 1959. He was a line officer on board the USS Joyce in Honolulu from 1957-58, then later sent to Charleston, SC.

After completing a degree in Architecture from UVA, he started his own firm in Norfolk, VA, where he specialized in historic preservation. The Hanbury Award is presented to properly restored buildings in the Northern Neck today. He retired to Irvington and lived on Carter's Creek where he enjoyed gardening and boating. Presented by his wife, Elaine Overcash Hanbury.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**ALEXANDER V. HAND**

Alex enlisted in the Marine Corps in the fall of 2006 before graduating from Lancaster High School. He served 4 years achieving the rank of Corporal. His last year, he was deployed to Afghanistan for Operation

Enduring Freedom (OEF) where he retrieved and readied combat vehicles. He currently uses his Corps skills to test, develop, and maintain next generation military vehicles. He currently lives in Lively with his family. Presented by his parents, Paul and Anne Hand.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES R. HARDING**

James Raymond Harding was born in Chicago IL in 1942. He was in the West Point class of 1964 and commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He served in the Dominican Republic and then 2 tours in Vietnam followed by 8 years in Germany and 2 years in Central America plus numerous stateside tours at various command and staff levels. Retired in 1996 as a Major General.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**BRENT M. HART**

Brent served in the U.S. Navy from February 1971 to June 1993. After serving he worked as a jail officer at Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center. After retiring from the MPRSC, he went to Commonwealth

Senior Living and is now their Maintenance Director. Given by Commonwealth Assisted Living.

**Location:** The Show Store window



**CRAIG D. HAYDEN**

Craig was born in Mila, VA, and graduated from Northumberland High School in 1966. He was drafted into the U.S. Army on February 5, 1968. After basic training he was stationed at Ft. Gordon, GA, where he

completed specialized training and became an ARMY MP. He was then stationed at Ft. Leavenworth, KS, until being deployed to Vietnam as an SR MP. He received his honorable discharge on February 1, 1974. Given with love by his wife, Maryhelen Hayden and sister, Brenda Minnick.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Chitterchat's Second Scoop pole



**C. W. HAYDON, JR.**

Seaman 1st Class Haydon enlisted November 24, 1942. He served aboard the USS LST 768 Tank Landing Ship) and USS Randall. USS LST-768 earned three battle stars for his World War II service.

He participated in the invasion of Leyte, Guam, Saipan, Iwo Jima and Okinawa, transporting landing troops, ammunition and transporting the wounded to hospital ships. He was honorably discharged on January 2, 1946. Given by Jane H. Mitchell and Charles Haydon.

**Location:** N. Main St./ W. F. Booth and Son pole



**E. W. HAYNIE, JR.**

E. W. Haynie, Jr. enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in March 1942 during WWII. He served as a navigator/bombardier-gunnery on B-25 bombers in China, India-Burma and later, in Europe, as an instructor.

Surviving a crash, he later navigated by dead reckoning from South Carolina to Ascension Island. His squadron flew 81 combat missions providing support for the recapture of the Burma Road. For his dedicated service, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. Presented by his daughters, Terry, Gail, Nancy, and Susan.

**Location:** Lancaster by the Bay Chamber window



**CLIFTON F. HAYNIE**

Clifton F. Haynie was born and raised in Lancaster County, VA. Clifton was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1943. While serving, Clifton earned the rank of Corporal.

Also while serving overseas, Clifton was wounded in action 3 times. He was in the Battle of the Bulge and was among those in the "Lost Battalion". Clifton is a Purple Heart recipient as well as 3 Bronze Battle Stars and several ribbons. Given by Taylor and Jacqueline Haynie.

**Location:** Lancaster by the Bay Chamber window



**ERNEST LYELL HAYWOOD, SR.**

(KIA in WWII)

Born November 20, 1920, Dick leaves Foxwells in January of 1944, in his 23rd year, for the Army's 291st Infantry. He is wounded in Germany on April 7, 1945—dying the

following day in a hospital just across the border in the Netherlands. Survivors were his wife Marie and his 2-year-old son, Ernest Jr. who now presents this banner.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JAMES WESLEY HEAROLD**

James entered the Army at an early age. He served during the Korean War from July 23rd, 1948 until June 3rd, 1952. He was stationed in the Philippines and earned an Army occupation Ribbon as well as a

Good conduct medal. He held the rank of an E-4 Corporal. Presented by His three Daughters, Grandkids, and Great Grandkids.

**Location:** Visiting Angels window



**FRANKLIN D. HENDERSON**

The Hendersons were married May 1, 1943, and he was shipped out 3 months later. Their oldest child was almost 2 when he returned. From 1943-1946, Captain Henderson served in the Quartermaster Corps 1576,

Quartermaster Battalion Mobile (Aviation) Combat Support Wing, 2 years in Derby, England with the 8th Air Force—in charge of supplying not only provisions but also transporting bombs for the planes. He was 27 years old! In 1952, he moves his family from New Jersey to Irvington and began a hardware business with a Northern Neck native, Bob Dew. "Dew and Henderson Hardware" was in the store where Comer and Co. resides today. Presented by his children, Ann H. Kramer, Barbara H. Slack and F. Daniel Henderson, Jr.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JOHN R. HENDERSON**

John Russell Henderson completed over 40 years of service with the U.S. Navy. Initially, he served as an enlisted sailor from 1969-1977. This was followed by 20 years of Federal service with the Office

of Naval Intelligence in Suitland, MD. In 1998, Henderson returned to active duty in the Navy where he subsequently retired as a Lieutenant Commander in May 2010. Henderson is the eldest son of Aubrey and Gisela Henderson previously of Palmer, VA. Given by Gordon and Linda Henderson and family.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Lewis Trimble Pole

**CARROLL P. HILLIARD**

Carroll an S/SGT served in the U.S. Army 4th Inf. Division from July 1959 until August 1969. He again served in Vietnam from 1966-1967. Given by Mary Ann Dunaway.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**WILLIAM E. HILLMAN, SR.**

William E. (Billy) Hillman Sr. was drafted into the A. S. Army in 1950. He spent half of his time at Fort Lee, VA and in 1952, he was involved in the Korean War. Given by Pamela Faith Hillman Thrift, Susan Lynne

Hillman O'Bier and William E. Hillman, Jr.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**WILLIAM A. HINES, JR.**

Lieutenant Colonel William A. Hines, Jr., enlisted in the Signal Corp (1965), achieving the rank of Specialist 5 before attending Officer Candidate School. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the

Ordnance Corp. A graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College and the Command and General Staff College, Bill is a decorated Vietnam Veteran (Bronze Star, Legion of Merit, and Meritorious Service Award). Bill's outstanding 22-year military career included command assignments in Europe, Korea, and Vietnam. He retired from the Pentagon as an Inspector General. Presented by Dr. Carolyn Hines (wife) and our family, Michael Hines, Thomas and Kimberly Hines Bullock, and our grandchildren, Symone and Olyvia Bullock.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**HARVEY A. HINTON**

A Miskimon native and a 1965 graduate of Northumberland High School, Harvey was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1967. He spent two years in the Army, including one in Korea before returning home in 1968. He

still lives in Miskimon and had owned Harvey's Auto Parts in Heathsville for 35 years. Presented by Chris and Lisa Valdrighi, Ryan and Cheryl Hinton and grandchildren.

**Location:** N. Main St./Salt & Sand pole

**WELDON "MAC" HOWARD**

Native to Lancaster County, born in Mollusk, VA. Mac was a Sergeant in the U.S. Army serving in the 1st Cavalry Division Unit during the Vietnam War.

Mac was deployed to the Central Highlands area of Vietnam for thirteen months and three days. Mac returned home from Vietnam and continued to serve his country for many more years. Not only in the Army but in the United States Government. Mac never forgot where he came from during his long successful career. His love for Lancaster County showed in his many contributions to the community. Presented by Rita, Keith and Kathy.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Lewis Trimble pole

**ALFRED ARMSTEAD HUDNALL, SR.**

Major Hudnall served in the Pacific Theatre in WWII. Presented by his son and daughter-in-law, John and Sandra Hudnall.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**EUGENE S. "BUD" HUDNALL**

Born and raised on a farm in Lancaster County, Bud joined the Army in August of 1957. After basic training at Fort Gordon, GA, he was assigned to Fort Riley, KS where he served with the 26th Infantry,

a division of "The Big Red One", achieving the "Expert Marksman" badge. Upon returning to Kilmarnock in 1959, he re-joined his family farming operation. In 1966, Bud with wife, Gayle and three children moved to Richmond, VA, to begin a career with General Medical Corp. In 1978, the opportunity arose to buy George Noblett, Inc. and he happily returned to Kilmarnock to own and operate this business, which continues today under his son, Joe's ownership. Presented by his wife, Gayle.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**THOMAS B. HUGHES, SR.**

This Kilmarnock native enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in February 1955. S1SGT Hughes served 3 years later in Birkenfeld, Germany with the 619th Tactical Control Squadron. He was discharged Nov. 19, 1958 and

returned to Kilmarnock to live. Given by his father, Lawrence N. Hughes.

**Location:** NAPA window



**WILLIAM L. HUMPHREYS**

"Bill" Humphreys, raised near his ancestral home at Ocran, VA, served in the Army from 1951 to 1953. He was stationed at Kaiserslautern, Germany during the Allied occupation after World War II. He later

returned home and established Northern Neck Office Equipment in Kilmarnock. Bill was a respected businessman, church deacon and community leader until his death in 1996. Given by Louise A. Humphreys and children.

**Location:** David W. Humphreys CPA window



**ROY M. HUNDLEY**

Roy spent a great portion of his life on the water as a ferry boat operator and crabber. This prompted his decision to serve in the USN from 1950-1954 during the Korean War. Following his service, he brought

his new bride Nancy back to Irvington where they raised their family. His love for this community resulted in limited excursions and when he did venture away he was always anxious to return to Lancaster County where he resided until he passed away in 2002. Presented by Nancy Hundley and Elizabeth Barksdale.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JIMMY D. JACKSON**

Jimmy was born February 24, 1934. He spent much of his childhood living between Texas and Oklahoma. He was stationed in Massachusetts where he would marry Emma Eleanor Arnold on December 23,

1954. Soon after their wedding, Jimmy was given new orders to serve in Germany. Together they have 3 children, Robin, Jimmy Jr., and Jeffrey. They have 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Jimmy and Eleanor currently reside in the Indian Creek community. Given by E.E. Jackson, Jim Jackson Jr., Jeff Jackson, and Robin Waltenberger.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot



**JACK JENNINGS**

Jack was a Naval Aviator assigned to Air Antisubmarine Squadron 39 in Quonset Point, Rhode Island flying the S2F "Tracker" and serving aboard aircraft carriers Valley Forge, Tarawa, Antietam

and Leyte. In the Naval Reserve, he was assigned to VF661; he flew the AD Skyraider, FJ4B Fury and the F8 Crusader. He was recalled to active duty for 10 months in 1968 when the North Koreans seized the USS Pueblo. Given by John M. Jennings.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot



**CAPTAIN "DOC" JOHN H. JESSUPH**

Captain Jessuph was born in Mollusk, VA. He graduated from Brookvale High School in Lancaster, VA, in 1963 as Valedictorian. In 1969 he served in the U.S. Army Infantry Commander Transportation. He is

a Vietnam War Veteran, was a Battalion Executive Officer, and a Resupply Officer of Operations Against Communist Aggression in the Republic of Vietnam with the 4th BN 21st INF. Awarded many awards, citations, and medals such as: Bronze Star medal for Heroism, Army Commendation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Badge with Mig Rifle bar #2, Vietnam Service Medal 1 Bronze Star, and Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm. Attended Virginia State University in 1968 and was recruited by the Baltimore Orioles. In 1984, he became a professor at Norfolk State and had 25 additional years in various school systems and teaching. Given by his wife Mary Jessuph, son and daughter-in-law Raschard and Stacey Jessuph, and other family members.

**Location:** N. Main St/ Town Hall pole



**WILLIAM H. JOHNSON**

William of Ditchley, Virginia was born January 20, 1919. He passed away April 29, 2008. He served as a Corporal in the U.S. Army and later would retire from the Menhaden Fisheries. He was married to

the late Ethel Carter. Of that union they were blessed with two daughters, Cereta and Shelia. He was fondly known as "Daddy William" by his grandchildren. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Kilmarnock and was also a Prince Hall Mason. Given by his daughters Cereta Johnson Lee and Shelia Johnson Moses.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot



**CLARENCE W. JONES**

Clarence served in the U.S. Army from 1949-1952 and the Korean War from 1950-1951. He received the Korean Service Medal with 6 Bronze Stars; UN Service medal, District Unit Citation; and the Presidential Unit Citation (Republic of Korea). He served in combat: United Nations Offensive—Aug to Sept 1950; United Nations Offensive—Sept to Nov 1950; Chinese Communist Intervention—Nov to Jan 1950-1951; First United Nations Offensive—Jan to April 1951; Chinese Communist Spring Offensive—April to July 1951; UN Summer/Fall Offensive—July to Sept 1951. Given by Donna Wright, Debbie Montgomery, Clarence Jones Jr, and Karen McCann.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**HOMER I. JONES**

Homer "Hap" Jones served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Mr. Jones enlisted the morning following his high school graduation and went to the Pacific Theatre where he served aboard various Landing Ship Tanks (LST) and Landing Craft Tanks (LCT). Jones survived numerous kamikaze attacks. Given by Ruby Abbott.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**JAMES R. JONES**

James grew up in Alabama and was a career Army man serving in Vietnam. Presented by his daughter, Ann Jones.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**WESLEY M. JONES**

A retired, commercial fish spotter and former owner of the Eagle's Nest Restaurant in Kilmarnock, Wesley M. "Wes" Jones was a U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Coast Guard veteran of the Korean conflict. He was recognized as an entrepreneur and patriot and had a great love for his family and his country. Given by Barbara, Mac, Edie and Robbie Jones.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**RANDY KELLUM**

Randy was enlisted in the USAF from 1980-2000. He was a security specialist. In his 20 years, Kellum was stationed in North Dakota, New Mexico, South Carolina, Montana, Belgium, Korea, and Saudi Arabia. He is a veteran of the Gulf War. He was one of the first to arrive in Saudi Arabia on August 7th, 1990 and did not return until March 1991. Given by Anna Kellum, Skyler Taylor, Thomas Kellum and Florence Kellum.

**Location:** Noblett, Inc. window

**ANDREW S. KELSEY**

Andrew served in the U.S. Air Force. Presented by Ann Kelsey, Andrew L. Kelsey, Robin Kelsey and Kira Kelsey.  
**Location:** S. Main St. pole/Cross Walk

**JAMES M. KENNER III**

James M. "Jimmy" Kenner III of Sunnybank, VA, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in April 1966. Following basic training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX, he was stationed at George AFB in Victorville, CA.

He married Anne Conley Kenner in September 1967 and she joined him in California. Discharged in November 1968, he began his 36- year career with Northern Neck Electric Cooperative in Warsaw, VA in January 1969. Presented by his wife Anne and sons, Richard, and Jason Kenner.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**WILLIAM R. KEYSER, JR.**

William Keyser enlisted in the Air Force just one day after graduation from Wicomico High School June of 1955. A man of many hats, he also recalls his days of being a weapons mechanic and putting

guns back together blind folded just to prove he could! He proudly served for three and a half years and was honorably discharged in 1958 to start a family. He has 10 children, 25 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren and counting. Although his picture shows his rank as a Buck Sergeant, he was actually a Staff Sergeant. Presented by the Reiblich family.

**Location:** Town Hall

**WILLIAM "BROOKS" KLUCIK**

Brooks served from 10/5/42 to 9/30/45 as a First Sergeant (Administrative NCO) in the 32nd Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company. He arrived in Normandy the day after D-Day, then on to Northern France,

Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. He was involved in the freeing of the Buchenwald prison camp in Germany. A recipient of the Good Conduct Medal and European African Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Ribbon. Presented by his daughter, Lynn M. Klucik McArdle.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES FRANK KOCA**

Born in Milligan, Nebraska, he was drafted after starting college and served in the Second Marine Division in the Pacific during WWII. He returned to finish his education at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, graduating in 1950. Called back to active duty during the Korean War, he was stationed at Cherry Point, NC. Jim was a member of the American Legion and White Stone United Methodist Church. Presented by his son, James and Melinda Koca.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**JAMES KOUTEN**

Colonel James J. Kouten, a "triple vet", fought in WWII, Korea and Vietnam. James served for over 32 years and was stationed in many counties throughout the world. He was a graduate of Brooklyn Technical High School, received an Engineering degree from the University of Maryland and attended various military educational schools to include the Command and General Staff Colleges. James was married to the late Genevieve Bertoldi for 63 years and had three children. "The Colonel" as he was known, passed away in July of 2016 at the age of 92. Presented by James, Janet and Ginger Kouten.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole

**ALEXANDER WALTER KREISER**

Brigadier General Alexander Walter Kreiser was born May 5, 1901. He received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, Class of 1924. After taking his commission in the United States Marine Corps, Second Lieutenant Kreiser was deployed to Central America. During WWII, he served in the Pacific as Coordinator of the U.S. Marine Corps troops in Korea and the South Korean Marine Corps. Kreiser completed his career serving as Base Commander, MCAS Cherry Point, NC, and finally as Base Commander, MCAS El Toro, CA. Upon his retirement, the General moved to White Stone, VA, with his wife, Barnette, and family. Given by his daughters Charlotte Kreiser Facella, Deanna Kreiser Scroggs, and Beverly Hollingsworth Kreiser.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**RUDOLPH L. KUEHN**

Rudy was born in NYC in 1923. He attended the Citadel but left to enlist in WWII in 1942. He served honorably in both WWII (in the Pacific) and Korean War. He worked for Lockheed until he retired and moved to the Northern Neck. Rudy loved this area and called it his last home. He passed away in 2014. Presented by Susan Kuehn.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**C. EDWARD LABUTE & D. LEE LABUTE**

C. Edward LaBute and D. Lee LaBute were brothers born exactly one year apart on July 15th, they shared a special bond that lasted their lifetimes. When Ed enlisted in the Army in 1953, their mother encouraged Lee to follow, "to keep an eye on his little brother." Lee agreed to put college on hold and joined the Army a few months later, starting service in 1954. While both served abroad during the Korean War, they would land a continent apart. Ed went to Germany

to rebuild bridges destroyed in WWII. Lee went to Japan to exercise his artistic abilities doing lettering for signs. These banners are lovingly given by their children. Presented by Jim and Sandy (LaBute) Ray.

**Location:** S. Main St/ Nobblett's pole

**DR. MELVIN B. LAMBERTH, JR.**

Dr. Lamberth was a front line Army doctor with the 84th Infantry Division patching up GIs in WWII. He was at the Battle of the Bulge and was a Bronze Star and Purple Heart recipient. This picture was taken in Belgium. While from Gloucester, in 1947, he comes to Kilmarnock and opens the Kilmarnock Clinic. He "operates" from there for the next 51 years. Presented by his daughter, Patricia Lamberth Bruce.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window

**DOUGLAS W. LANFORD**

Born in Roanoke, VA and a graduate of VPI. Captain U.S. Army, 1939-1945. He served in the Anti-Artillery Corps in various locations across the U.S. as well as the Panama Canal. After WWII, he returned to Kilmarnock and

Lancaster County to find that his position as the county's agricultural agent had been filled. He owned and operated Bunker Hill Dairy and later became an agent for State Farm Insurance, which eventually took him to Charlottesville as director of agent education. He raised his family of three daughters in Kilmarnock. One daughter, our presenter, Gayle Hudnall, and family live here today.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**KENNETH W. LATHAM**

Hailing from McKenney, TX, this Marine makes his way from boot camp in San Diego to Camp Pendleton to Pickle Meadows in Nevada but, ultimately to Korea. Sgt. Latham crosses paths there with Sgt. Reckless, the bodacious mare named for the Recoiless Rifles Platoon of the 5th Marines. The four-legged Marine braved minefields to deliver ammunition to her division on the firing sites. Both Sergeants are featured in Robin Hutton's book, "Sgt. Reckless". These Marines share a fascinating story. Presented by Sgt. Latham himself who lives in Reedville.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**HAROLD LAWYER**

This Marine from Illinois was a radioman calling in air strikes during the Battle of Iwo Jima where he was wounded. On his return to the States, his war wounds took him to a hospital in Richmond where he meets

Naomi Oliver, a girl from the Carter dynasty of the Northern Neck. Married, they move here in 1947. His son and grandson continue the family's military service—Harold, in the Coast Guard, and Vincent is career Army. Presented by his son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Margaret Lawyer.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**AGNES LEE & WILLIAM EDWARD LEE**

This husband and wife team met while both were in Europe during WWII. Agnes was in the Army Nurse Corps stationed in Frankfurt, Germany when she went to Switzerland on leave. There she meets Ed who had been posted in England and then moved to Frankfurt as the Postal Clerk running the Navy's office there. He leaves Europe in May of 1946, going to Baltimore. Agnes ships out in July of 1946 from Heidelberg on to Baltimore too. Marriage happens

in March of 1947. By June of 1947, they are here in Kilmarnock, Ed's hometown. Ed is presented by Agnes.

Agnes is presented by their son, Jim Lee.

**Location:** Banners returned to their family

**FOSTER EDWARD LEE & NORMAN E. PATTERSON**

These two best friends are drafted even before they graduated from high school, leaving Lancaster County at the same time but did not serve together. Sergeant Lee and Corporal Patterson returned to the county where their children met, fell in love, married and increased the Lee and Patterson dynasties. Presented by son, Foster Lee, Jr., and daughter, Frances Patterson Lee.

**Location:** Banners returned to their families

**HAROLD WILSON LEE**

Harold Wilson Lee was born in Kilmarnock, VA on October 2, 1926, the seventh of nine children to Grace and Dennis Lee. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on June 16, 1945. World War II was nearing its end. He married

Essie Mae Campbell on November 14, 1948. Harold moved his family to Maryland in 1972 and worked in construction for 15 years. He moved back to Kilmarnock in 1987 and open Lee's Custom Woodworks. His custom made windmills, birds and bird feeders were his signature items. Harold was a self-taught carpenter and mechanic. He and Essie built their own home in which he still lives. Given by Bill Lee.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**ROBERT M. LEE, JR.**

Robert was born and raised in Fleets Bay. He graduated from Kilmarnock High School and went to work at the Rappahannock Record in 1937. The day after the attack on Pearl Harbor he joined

the Navy and served in the North Atlantic and Pacific. In 1945, he returned to Kilmarnock and the Record. He became an active member of the community, serving on Town Council for 14 years and chief of KVFD for 10 years. He also served on the Wetlands Commission, Lions Club, and was a faithful member of the KUMC. He died at age 67, while still employed at the Record. Given by his son and wife, Charles and Anita Lee.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**GRADY R. LESTER, JR. (KIA in Vietnam)**

Grady Rudolph Lester, Jr. was raised at Wicomico Church, VA. He joined the Merchant Marines after he graduated from high school and went to Vietnam twice.

He was drafted into the Army in 1968; he was a Staff Sergeant. Rudy was killed in Vietnam on May 2, 1970. Given by the Lester family—Glenn, Lisa and Lacey.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**BENJAMIN S. LEWIS**

Ben Lewis was born May 27, 1957 and raised in Senora, VA. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy on May 1975 and completed basic training in Orlando, FL. After two years of training, Ben was assigned operation and maintenance on the Basic Point Defense Surface Missile system aboard the USS Iwo Jima LPH 2. After four year and many overseas deployments, Ben was honorably discharged in August 1981. Given by Janet P. Lewis.

**Location:** Town Hall





**JAMES STANLEY LEWIS**

We salute this veteran's service to our country. Presented by his wife and children.  
**Location:** Augusta St. pole



**LESTER TAYLOR LEWIS**

Les grew up on his family farm in Lottsburg, VA. He was enlisted in the U.S. Marines from 1968-1970. He completed a 13-month tour in Vietnam. While serving his country, he was in the Charlie Battery

13th Marines, 1st Marine Division, and assigned to the 105 Howitzers. He served as Corporal and now resides in Lottsburg, VA. Presented by Lisa and Joe Hudnall.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot



**DAVID A. LONG**

Born in Reisterstown, MD, on September 23, 1939, "Dave" joined the Coast Guard in 1958. He was a gunnery instructor and achieved the rank of Petty Officer Third Class during his time of service. His duty

stations included the USCG Barque Eagle, Bermuda and Yorktown, with time spent in Baltimore as a reservist. With more water in his veins than blood, he carried both his love of sailing and his family to the Northern Neck in 1995. His wife, Kirklen still resides in Wicomico Church. Presented by his daughters, Suzy Long Cuthbertson, Beth Conley and their families.

**Location:** S. Main St/W. Church St pole



**AUBREY W. LOWERY**

Aubrey Lowery (1910-1978) was a lifetime resident of Irvington and a member of the Irvington Methodist Church. He married Mary Alice Hearold in 1945. His children Audrey, Tommy (deceased) and Tim.

Aubrey owned A.W. Lowery Seafood. He bought oysters wholesale and sold them retail on a route to Richmond, VA to Ronceverte, West Virginia. He loved baseball, politics, and planting a garden. No one was a stranger to Aubrey. Given by his children Audrey Lowery and Tim Lowery.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot



**VERNON LUECKOFF**

Vernon, "Luke", Lueckoff volunteered February 1943 at 18, trained 6 months before shipping out to England with the HVS Company 291st Engineer's Construction Battalion. He was in England until three days after D Day when he shipped to the continent for combat service in Normandy, France, Luxembourg and Germany. He was active in the taking of the Bridge at Remagen, Germany, March 7, 1945. Luke's service ended on VE Day. Given by New South Ditchley c/o Nan Harvey.

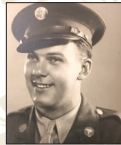
**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**CATHERINE S. LUTTRELL**

A native of Fall River, Massachusetts, Catherine (Kay) was an Army nurse in Iran and Iraq from July 1942 to November 1945. With a last name of Sargent, people thought there was new rank when she answered the phone "Lieutenant Sargent". She met her future husband Bob when he nicked a chocolate pie she had baked and placed in a window to cool! They married in December 1945, settled in Heathsville, Virginia and raised three children.

**Location:** Corner of Irvington Rd./S. Main St. pole



**ROBERT L. LUTTRELL**

A native of Avalon (now Heathsville), VA, Robert (Bob/Bobby Lee) served as an Army Medic from July 1942-October 1945. He was stationed in Iran and Iraq, where he met his future wife Catherine (Kay) an Army

nurse. They met when he nicked a chocolate pie she had baked and placed in an open window to cool! They married in December 1945, settled in Heathsville and raised three children. Given by Nancy Luttrell.

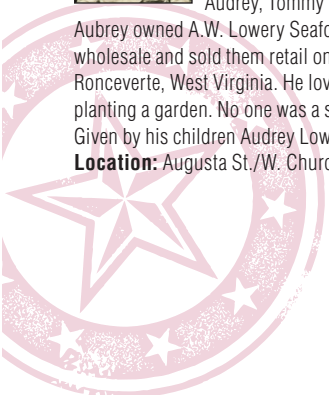
**Location:** Corner of Irvington Rd./S. Main St. pole



**CHARLES RICHARD LYNN**

What is a Veteran? A "Veteran"—whether active duty, discharged, retired, or reserve—is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America," for an amount of "up to, and including his life." Presented by Charles Richard Lynn and Cindy Cornwell Lynn.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Son/E. Church St. window





**WADE C. MACMANUS**

A native of Akron, Ohio, Wade served in the strategic Air Command of the U.S. Air Force. As a navigator on the B-47 stratojet long-range bomber, he served during the cold war at Mountain Home AFB in Idaho and Guam AFB. Wade received his training at Lackland AFB (TX), Ellington AFB (TX), McClellan AFB (CA), and McConnell AFB (KS). He served from 1955-1958. Presented by his children, Richard MacManus, Michael MacManus, and Bonnie (MacManus) Mohler.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church parking lot



**MATTHEW B. MANSON**

Matthew of Kilmarnock, VA, was born in Atlanta, GA in 1975. He enlisted in the Navy in 1998 and served as an Avionics Technician, working on Hawkeye Aircraft aboard U.S. Navy aircraft carriers. His first assignment was on the USS Kitty Hawk in Japan and over the years he rose to Petty Officer First Class. Matt was a highly decorated veteran receiving among others the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the National Defense Service Medal. Matt became a 3rd Degree Master Mason in the Lancaster Union Lodge #888 in Kilmarnock. Given by his parents Richard and Jo Manson and his brother Chris Manson.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Son/E. Church St. window



**RANDALL L. MARSH**

Randall Marsh of Miskimon, VA enlisted in the U.S. Navy in April, 1945, just before his 18th birthday. Stationed in Guam as a Seabee, he was to land in the first wave of the Japanese invasion to build airstrips. While underway aboard ship, Japan surrendered due to the atomic bomb attacks, which likely spared his life. Marsh spent two weeks at sea, waiting to return to Guam. He was honorably discharged in July, 1946. Presented by his children: Patricia Moss, Mary Crawford, Neal Marsh, David Marsh, Donna Wilkins and Susan Humphreys.

**Location:** David W. Humphrey's CPA window



**JOSEPH D. MASSEY**

Lt. Massey went into France on D-Day and was awarded the Bronze Star. He is originally from Brooklyn, NY, the son of two Irish immigrants, James and Margaret (Connelly) Massey. He passed away on October 24, 2004, having enjoyed a full life as a husband, father, grandfather, and banker! Rarely talked about his war experiences, until later in life (well into his eighties). Presented by his daughter, Lori Clark.

**Location:** Irvington Rd. pole



**ROBERT MATHERS, JR.**

Robert served in the U.S. Army from 1966-1975 and VaARNG from 1975-1983. He was a Sergeant First Class in light weapons infantry. He also served in operations administration and logistics.

Robert was also an acting first sergeant of combat support company, 2d Battalion 116th Infantry Brigade. Proud to Serve, Not a Hero. Presented by Dorothy B. Mathers, Tim and Kimberly Headley.

**Location:** Irvington Rd. pole



**JAMES P. MCARDLE**

James entered the Army in 1942 as part of the 106th Infantry, 424th regiment. The 424th was part of the defense of St. Vith, Belgium against a much larger force of Germans. The defense of St. Vith (December 17-21 1944) has been credited with ruining the German timetable to reach port city of Antwerp, one of their main objectives. St. Vith was surrounded by German Forces and shelled for three days/nights in zero degree temperatures and over a foot of snow. After St. Vith, the 424th was attached to the Seventh Armored Division and fought another major battle at Manhay. Other offensive and defensive patrols occurred through March 1945 with the 424th reaching the Rhine River. Discharged in November 1945 at Fort Devans, MA. Presented by his son, (a Vietnam veteran and actively involved with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary), Brian McArdle.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**SNOWY MCGEORGE**

G. W. "Snowy" served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1965-1969. He spent one year in Vietnam aboard the USCGC Ingham, two tours of duty at Ocean Station North Atlantic and two years on the Buoy Tender Conifer. After his discharge, he worked for Caterpillar for 26 years and 20 years as an USCG licensed captain operating private and charter yachts. Snowy and his family of generations, live in Irvington. Given by June McGeorge.

**Location:** Town Hall



**ROBERT N. MCKENNEY**

Robert "Bob" McKenney was drafted into the United States Army in September 1951, during the Korean conflict. Bob was inducted at Fort Meade in Maryland and went to Fort Knox Kentucky for basic

training and then to Fort Bliss in Texas for advanced ordnance training. With training complete, Bob was transferred to Headquarters Division of the 2nd Ordnance Battalion where he was enlisted as Chaplains Assistant. In early 1952, Bob was transferred to the Germersheim Ordnance Vehicle Park in western Germany. Reassignment to Camp Irwin Guided Missile Center in California followed in early 1953. Bob was honorably discharged in September 1953 having received the rank of Army Specialist, E4. Presented by Debbie and Gerald.

**Location:** S. Main Street/Salon M pole



**FILLMORE A. MCNEAL**

This Kilmarnock native served from July of 1951 to July of 1961—in active duty and in the reserves. The Air Force took him from training in Florida to Labrador, Canada and finally back to Kilmarnock where he

now owns The Flower Cart. Presented by his daughter, Dona McNeal.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**PERNELL G. MCNEAL**

Pernel was born May 11, 1926 in Lancaster, VA. He was a member of the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Solar, a destroyer escort and a veteran of WWII. After the service he worked for Crowther Ford and then worked

at T.D. McGinnes for 38 years. He was a member of the Lions Club for over 40 years. He passed away July 26, 2017. Given by Sylvia McNeal Davis and children.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JOSEPH MESSICK**

Joe proudly served in the U.S. Army during WWII. As a Medical Corpsman, he did not carry a weapon, but performed acts of non-violent bravery by saving lives and helping recover his fallen brothers. He received

two purple hearts and a silver star for Gallantry in Action in France shortly before the conflict ended. He enjoyed life on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, the Northern Neck and Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Presented by Edna Messick, Karen Pierce, Pat Messick, Jennie Savage, April Brownlow, Tim Messick, and their families.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole



**JAMES MERVIN MITCHELL**

James Mitchell served as a corporal in the Korean War from 1952-1954 and was an infantryman. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mitchell of Rehoboth Church, He was a gentle, kind, patient man with the

love of God toward all mankind. Given by Helen Mitchell and his family.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**HENRY MELVIN MITCHELL**

Melvin served in the U.S. Army from 1953-1955, as a heavy equipment operator in the engineering Battalion. When he returned to civilian life, he continued to work as a heavy equipment operator. He was the

son of Henry and Hulda Mitchell of Rehoboth Church and the twin brother of James Mervin Mitchell. He was a very patient person, who was always jolly and had a great sense of humor. Presented by the Mitchell Family.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**TAYLOR P. MITCHELL**

Chief Taylor P. Mitchell joined the U.S. Coast Guard on April 18, 2001. Taylor has served on the CGC Sherman, CGC Gallatin and CGC Assateague. Taylor was an instructor at Yorktown Coast Guard

Training Center and served three years stationed in Guam. Taylor currently serves on the CGC Venturous, C.G. Sector St. Petersburg, Florida. Taylor's Mom, Dad, Stepdad, sisters and step brothers are all very proud of him and his service. Given by Tom and Jill White, Bill, Christie, and Shannon Mitchell.

**Location:** Irvington Rd. pole



**WILBUR E. MITCHELL**

Wilbur E. Mitchell enlisted in the Army February 1943. His basic training was at Camp Gordon, GA. He sailed to the Philippines in September 1944 aboard the SS Matsonia. He saw heavy combat on Luzon

specializing in artillery (that bird and duck hunting experience). He received a battlefield commission to 1st Lieutenant on May 29, 1945. Cease fire was August 1945. Honorable discharged at the rank of Captain. He then established Mitchell Brothers Plumbing and Heating. He also worked at a supervisor at Humphreys Railway and a consultant for the Town of Kilmarnock. Wilbur was a tradesman, a sportsman, a singer, a showman and a great Dad. Given by his children, Jack Austin, Bill Mitchell and Barbara Mitchell Martin.

**Location:** Irvington Rd. pole



**MICHAEL MULHOLLAND**

Mike shows his GI attitude, in this "unofficial" military picture. A Philadelphia native, his brother, John, and his sister-in-law Susan Cockrell live in Heathsville and present this banner.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**HARRY CORNELIUS NICKENS**

Harry C. Nickens, born January 27, 1940, and died July 19, 2001. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War (1964-66), Specialist #4. He played in the U.S. Army Military Baseball League. Harry was

the eldest son of the late Benjamin H. Nickens and the late Marie Norris Nickens from 9445 Jessie DuPont Memorial Hwy. He was the brother of Benjamin H. Nickens, Jr., John Carroll Nickens, Burneil Nickens, Bessie Nickens Bromley, Donald Nickens (now deceased), and Irvin Nickens. He was godfather to Tyrell A. Nickens and a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church where he is buried. Presented by the Nickens family, Donald Nickens, Bessie N. Bromley, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Nickens and Phyllis D. Nickens.

**Location:** Visiting Angles window



**DONALD B. NICKENS**

Donald Burnett Nickens (July 23, 1947-October 27, 2020) served in the Army during the Vietnam War (1967-1969) as a SP4 PVT-E-1(P) on Harbor Craft Boaswain. Donald is the fifth son of late Benjamin Sr

and Marie Norris Nickens of Kilmarnock. He is the brother of Benjamin Jr, John Carroll Burnell, Bessie Nickens Bromley, Irvin Nickens and the late Harry Nickens. He had a wife, Yvonne Nickens with 2 children Kevin and Marie. Presented by Irvin and Phyllis Nickens and Family.

**Location:** Visiting Angles window



**GERHARD A. NUNDAHL**

A man of honor, courage, intelligence and integrity. He mesmerized his audience and made people feel special. A natural born leader. The day he was sworn as an officer he stated: "To be a good leader you must

learn how to follow". Presented by his daughter, Victoria Holt, for his family.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**ALBERT "SPIKE" NUNN**

This Marine Captain was originally from Shaker Heights, OH. He was on active duty for 7 years, as a fighter/attack pilot doing one tour in Vietnam. He was awarded the Congressional Air medal with five oak leaf clusters during his service. He then captained for American Airlines for 32 years. Presented by his wife, Rebecca and his daughter, Ashley.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot



**WILLIAM EARL OVERCASH, JR.**

William Overcash, Jr. served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1960-1964. He was stationed in Freeport, Texas where he met his wife; then later at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC where

he escorted President John Kennedy aboard ship and later, marched in President Kennedy's funeral representing the Coast Guard. After graduation from the Medical College of Virginia, he practiced dentistry in Kilmarnock for 30 years and was loved by his patients before passing away in 1995 from ALS. Presented by his wife, Elaine Overcash Hanbury and his children Tracy, Courtney and Will.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**WILLIAM EARL OVERCASH III**

Will served on active duty in the U.S. Army from 2005 to 2011. He was on active duty in Iraq from May 2008 to August 2009 with the remainder of his time in Germany

where he met his wife. He was raised in the Northern Neck and educated in Virginia. He now lives in Oregon with his wife and sells real estate there. Will gets back to the Northern Neck as much as possible where he has wonderful friends and continues his love of boating, fishing, and hunting. Presented by his mother, Elaine Overcash Hanbury.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**WILLIAM E. PACKETT**

Dad served in the Army Air Force from August 1942 until October 1945. He served in 7 different battle campaigns before having his plane shot down in the Battle of the Bulge. Dad and his co-pilot survived

the crash, but he lost 15% of his right leg. After spending 6 months in a hospital in England, he was later discharged in October of 1945. He was a very proud man to have served his country. Given by Bill, Dorothy, John and Sharon Packett.

**Location:** Noblett, Inc. window



**RALPH PAGE** (POW in WWII)

A member of the 303rd Bomb Group or "Hell's Angels", 2nd Lt. Page was stationed in England and a navigator on the "Tiny Angel", a B-17 aircraft. He was shot down over Germany and taken prisoner Aug. 15, 1944—held at Stalag Luft III—Central in Sagan, Poland. He remained a POW until liberated by General Patton in 1945. Ralph never forgot his crew; the ones killed when the plane was shot down nor the ones he kept in touch with throughout the many years. He was a retiree of the C & P Telephone Company and worked his entire career in Washington, D.C. Presented by his wife of 58 years, Joyce.

**Location:** Animal Welfare League window**F. STUART PAINTER**

Stuart enlisted in the Marine Corps on July 19, 1963, and headed to Parris Island, SC. He was sent to Vietnam from August 1965 to September 1966 where his 6 to 8 man squad operated ambush and security patrols west of Danang and Hue towards the Ho Chi Min Trail to intercept North Vietnams' and Viet Cong who were attempting to mortar the Danang airfield and naval port. He received the Good Conduct Medal, Viet Nam Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation Award. Presented by F. Stuart Painter.

**Location:** S. Main St. pole/Cross Walk**MELVIN LEWIS PITMAN**

Melvin was drafted May 1941. He went to Officer Candidate School at Fort Bennett, GA and was commissioned on September 23rd, after which he traveled to Camp Beale, CA. He served in Austria, France, Bavaria, and Germany as part of the Ruhr Valley Campaign. This 1st Lt. was the Intelligence Officer for his Battalion of the 13th Armored Division (the "Black Cat Division"), Patton's 3rd Army. After the war ended, his Battalion traveled to Hitler's Eagle's Nest and then to Camp Lucky Strike, outside Paris. He was discharged in November of 1945. Presented by his family.

**Location:** Town Hall**ASA M. PITTMAN**

Asa M. Pittman was born April 14, 1930, and died January 26, 2002. He served as a Corporal in the U.S. Army from 1953 until 1955. As a member of the 101st Airborne Division, he was trained at Camp Breckenridge, KY. After his training, Asa went on to be stationed in Bamberg, Germany as a paratrooper and also was part of a tank battalion on the Russian border. He and his wife, Helen Williams Pittman lived in Regina for their married life. Asa has two children, Pam Brent, and Timmy Pittman. Given by Mr. and Mrs. Timothy N. Pittman.

**Location:** Town Hall**CHARLES L. PITTMAN**

Charles enlisted in the Army in 1973 and served a total of 22 years at various military installations. He was in Germany from 1977-1981 and was assigned to HQs V Corps. His duties carried him to many locations including the border of West Germany and the Communist World. In 1990, he was promoted to Master Sergeant and served as Chief, Administrative Services for the Military Department of Indiana until his retirement in 1995. Presented by Steven and Lisa Pittman, Donna Dunaway, Teresa Abbott, and himself.

**Location:** S. Main St/ Stewarts Auto pole**HENRY SLATER PITTMAN, SR.**

Corporal Pittman was born in Regina—just outside Lancaster Courthouse but grew up in Baltimore. Spent his military life in Korea. Presented by his wife, Leah and his son, Slater Pittman, Jr.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot**JOHN V. PITTMAN**

Born in Fairport, VA on May 4th, 1923 John spent his life on the water either as an engineer on a menhaden boat or crabbing/oystering on the Rappahannock. He like others joined the service after the invasion

of Pearl Harbor and served until the end of the war. Presented by Commonwealth Assisted Living and son, John H. Pittman.

**Location:** Rappahannock Hang-up's Gallery window**W. R. PITTMAN, JR.**

W. R. graduated from Lively High School and Virginia Tech School of Business. He served in World War II as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. W. R. would later retire as a Lt. Col from the Air Force Reserves. Presented by Joyce, Ed and family.

**Location:** E. Church St. pole**OTIS R. POLK, SR.**

Otis was in the Army from 1970 to 1973 serving in Germany. After more than 30 years with Dominion Virginia Power, he retired in Kilmarnock and served on the Kilmarnock Planning Commission. We salute this veteran's service to our country. Presented by a grateful American.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**DAVID "DJ" POWELL**

"DJ" served with distinction in the U.S. Air Force from 1965-1969. He served in Thailand and Vietnam as a munition's expert, loading munitions on aircraft operated by the 555 fighter squadron.

Most notably the F-4 Phantom fighter jet flown by Vietnam War ace Col. Robin Olds. DJ also served as a tail gunner on B-52's flying over North Vietnam. David loved his country and was very proud of his military service. Given by Glenn and Suzi Powell.

**Location:** Papeterie

**STEPHEN D. PROCTOR**

Upon finishing law school and passing the Bar, Steve was commissioned as Naval Officer in the Judge Advocate General Corp. in 1965. His first duty station was Naval Air Station, Alameda, CA. His next

was as Chief of Naval Air Technical Training in Tennessee where he finished his Naval commitment in 1968. He joined the Export-Import Bank of the United States and served as Senior Counsel. He is now retired on the family farm in Kilmarnock. Presented by his daughters, Shannon, Shaune and his fiancée, Elaine Hanbury.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**PAUL B. PRUETT**

After returning from his honeymoon in 1942, Paul was informed that he needed to immediately report for duty in the US Army. He received an Army/Navy award for war equipment production as a Chemical

Engineer. From 1943-1945, he worked on the Manhattan project at the University of Rochester. In 1945, he was in combat duty in Luzon (Philippines). Later he would be discharged as a Technical Sergeant. He was a charter member of American Legion Post 176 in Springfield, VA. Presented by his son Charles R. Pruett and his daughter Jane Choi.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Sons Furniture window

**MARTIN T. PUCKETT**

Martin was born in Halifax County, Virginia on May 31, 1946. Shortly after graduating from high school, he entered the Marine Corps. Martin served in the Marine Corps from January 1966 to January 1968 and served a 13-month tour in Vietnam. Most of Martin's career was spent in mechanical engineering and as a manager of a staffing company. Martin and his wife (almost 35 years), Sharon, currently live in Kilmarnock. Among Martin's many interests are sailing, growing oysters and woodworking. Given by Sharon Puckett.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GARLAND T. PURCELL (KIA in WWII)**

Called "Duna" by his family, Garland left Kilmarnock for Europe and was Killed In Action in the Battle of the Bulge. Presented by the nieces he never knew, Mae Purcell Umphlett and Tammy Crandall.

**Location:** Town Hall

**RALPH H. C. RANSONE**

Ralph Henry Chilton Ransone, a native of Ottoman, VA, served in the Army Air Corps (the early beginnings of the Air Force) from 1942-1945. Of his 7 brothers, Ralph was 1 of 5 that served, achieving the rank of

Master Corporal. Before being shipped to the Philippines in 1944, Ralph served stateside in Virginia, Mississippi, Texas, Florida and North Carolina. Presented by Mr. and Mrs. Rannie Ransone and Mr. and Mrs. Mal Ransone and their families.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**JACKSON REAVILL**

Born in Vincennes, IN. Graduated from USMA in 1962. Married high school sweetheart, Susie, and raised four boys. Attended Tulane University, was asked to be assistant lacrosse coach and play also. Received

MS in Nuclear Physics. Retired in 1988 after 26 years of assignments to Korea, Viet Nam, numerous stateside, and 5 years in Germany, commanding a battalion and installation in Wiesbaden, Germany. Given by his wife, Susie, and his sons, Jay, Bradley and Jonathon Reavill.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**STEWART A. REVERE**

Stewart was born in Lively and enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in September of 1958. After his basic training in Parris Island, NC, he was a Brigg Guard and later was assigned to Moto Transport, Third

Battalion, Sixth Marines Regiment. After he was honorably discharged in September 1962, he was employed at George Noblett, Inc. until December 2018. He and his wife Ann, reside in White Stone. Presented by E.S. "Bud" and Gayle Hudnall.

**Location:** Noblett, Inc. window

**REGINALD RIDGELY, JR.**

Lt. General Reginald H. Ridgely, Jr. served in the USMC from 1923 to 1959. He fought in Haiti, Nicaragua, and against the Japanese in the Pacific Theater. After the fall of Corregidor in 1942, he was imprisoned in the Philippines and later survived the "Hell Ships" before being freed at the end of WWII. Following the war, he served as the director of Marine Corps personnel, Commander 2nd Marine Division and Commander of Camp Pendleton. Presented by the Ridgely family.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Sons/Church St. window

**R. H. RIDGELY III**

Lt. Col. Reginald H. Ridgely III served in the USMC for 25 years from 1955-1980. He commanded a Marine infantry battalion and served as the 5th Marine Regimental Operations Officer in Vietnam. During the Cuban missile crisis, he participated in the Naval blockade and security operations at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Bronze Star with combat v, the Navy Commendation Medal and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star. Given by the Ridgely family.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Sons/Church St. window

**KENNETH E. RITTER (KIA in WWII)**

Born on November 15, 1922, Kenneth served in the 1st Raider Battalion, aka "Edson's Raiders" during the Guadalcanal Campaign of WWII. He was Killed in Action during this campaign on September 14, 1942.

Presented by Betty Ritter Steffey.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**MEREDITH M. ROBBINS**

After marrying his sweetheart, Dixie Cooper, Meredith was enlisted in 1955 and fortunately was stationed at Ft. Eustis, which was close to home. Soon after he was sent to Korea and would serve until the end of 1956. Thankfully, during his service, the 38th Parallel was established and the U.S. maintained the peace. Up until recent years, Meredith maintained correspondence with his Korean "house boy," Capt. Meredith will be 93 years old this Memorial Day. Given by Lee & Michelle Robbins and children and Mack Rob.

**Location:** Rappahanock Hang Ups window

**JOSEPH LEO ROGERS**

Joseph "Leo" Rogers 3/9/1926-4/30/2001. Leo enlisted in the Navy his senior year of high school opting for a sea bunk and kamikazes versus a fox hole and tank mortar. He served through WWII on the USS Register in the South Pacific. Picking up survivors from the USS Indianapolis was the assignment for which he was most proud. Leo continued serving his country as a reservist in the Seabees until his retirement. Given by Kevin and Cindy Rogers.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**TED "DOC" ROLLINGS**

"Doc" was a Navy Fleet Marine Force Corpsman. His four years of service took him from Camp Pendleton, CA, to Korea and Japan. He lives in Reedville today. Presented by himself.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**BAY ROWE**

Bay was born July 21, 1948. After attending school, he enlisted in the Marine Corps. He was sent to Vietnamese language school in Monterey, California. He served in Vietnam at Vandegrift Combat Base and Khe Sanh.

He returned home and worked at Wilson Trucking until he retired. He is married to Cathy Williams Rowe and they live in White Stone. Given by his Wife Cathy Rowe.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window

**FRANCIS K. ROWE**

Francis K. Rowe was born on August 7, 1920. He enlisted in the Navy and was honorably discharged in 1972 after 30 years of service. He served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. He was a plankowner of the USS Forrestal and was aboard her during the fire of 1967. He was stationed on a carrier during Cuban Missile Crisis. After retirement, he spent much of his time volunteering at the Animal Welfare League. Given by his son Bay Rowe.

**Location:** The Shoe Store window

**HARRY DAVIS ROWE**

Harry Davis Rowe (born April 8, 1931) served in the U.S. Marines from 1952 until 1954 and made his way to Sergeant. He married his wife of 63 years, Thelma, in 1955 and built a home on Ocran Road where they still reside. They have 2 children, 2 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He retired from the Chesapeake Corporation in West Point. Besides his love for the water with fishing and boating, he fills his time gardening and meeting his friends at McDonald's. Given by Christine Bowen and Glenn Rowe.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**RICHARD S. RUSSELL**

Richard, 96, of Kilmarnock served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Arkansas as an aviation mechanic (AMMIIC). In the Atlantic and Pacific theaters during World War II and on anchor detail at Normandy during D-Day. Mr. Russell retired as a dealer and co-owner of Russell Pontiac-GMC in 1990 with his now late wife, Anne Haydon Russell. He still is a member of the Lancaster County Lions Club and Indian Creek Yacht and Country Club. Given by Valeri Russell Heltterbran and Richard S. Russell.

**Location:** S. Main St./Small Town Burger pole

**WILLIAM J. RUSSELL**

Jordan served in the Marine Corps from 2004-2008 as an infantry squad leader and also in the Marine Corps Security Forces Europe. When he got out of the Corps he joined the Army National Guard from 2008-2014 as an infantryman, mortar man and javelin instructor. During his 10 years of military service, he served in over 13 countries including Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom's Operation New Dawn where he received the Army Commendation Medal for actions while serving as a gunner. Given by Brooke Russell, William and Joelle Russell and Donna Burney.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**H. J. "JACK" RUSSELL**

Jack was born and raised on a farm in Mila, Northumberland Co. He moved to Roanoke and worked in the automotive business. During WW II, he was stationed in England. His job was to service the B24 bombers that flew bombing missions over Germany. Jack was a chief inspector and achieved the rank of Lieutenant. He returned to Roanoke after the war and he and his wife, Gwendolyn, raised 3 children. Jack is 100 years old, living in North Carolina. Presented by Bob, David, and Ann Russell.

**Location:** Burkes Fine Jewelers

**ROBERT D. RUSSELL (KIA IN WWII)**

Bob was born in 1917 in Mila, Northumberland Co. He attended VP 1 (VA Tech) studying Agriculture Education, and was an ROTC Captain. The day after graduation, he went to Ft. Gordon, GA with the 22nd Infantry. His unit was a part of the D-Day Invasion at Utah Beach, where they were successful in establishing a Beachhead. Lt. Russell was killed the very next day by a German sniper. He was buried in France, and his remains were transported to Arlington National Cemetery.

Presented by Bob, David and Ann Russell and Jack Russell.  
**Location:** Burkes Fine Jewelers

**EMORY SHELTON RYAN**

Specialist Emory Shelton Ryan is a native of Lancaster County. She received her BS and MSN from UVA. She served in the Army Reserves from 2002 to 2008. After basic training, she proceeded to AIT and Ft. Sam Houston, TX. She served as a combat medic with the 343RD ground ambulance Medical Company based in Richmond, VA. Her unit was activated and deployed in 2005 to camp Arifjan, Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Presented by: Rannie and Theresa Ransone and Dennis and Marian Shelton.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**LAURA LEE SAMPSON**

Laura Lee Marsh Sampson, a native of Miskimon, served honorably in the Navy as a Dental Technician Second Class, during the Vietnam era (1965-1969). Her duty stations included Corpus Christie, Texas, San Diego, California and Camp Lejeune, N.C. Since April 2008 she has proudly volunteered as part of the funeral services for Navy Veterans at Arlington National Cemetery as a Navy Arlington Lady. Presented by James and Janet Kouten.

**Location:** W. Church St. pole

**GLENWOOD SAMPSON**

This is the first WWII draftee from Northumberland County. Born and raised in Mila, he served in the Army from 1941-1945. He served in the Pacific with the Army Corp of Engineers, 3rd Engineers Special Brigade. He was a waterman his entire life and piloted troop carriers. He promised God if he made it back from the war, he would never complain again, and he did not even when suffering from cancer. Presented by his daughter, Diane Sampson Luttrell and her husband, Bobby Luttrell.

**Location:** W. F. Booth & Son Furniture window

**STANLEY B. SAUER**

Sergeant Sauer was a 1966 graduate of Lancaster High School and a native of Weems. After basic training at Fort Bragg, NC, he took advanced infantry training at Fort Jackson, SC. Sergeant Sauer served in Vietnam from February 1967 to February 1968 with the 3rd Battalion, 9th Infantry Division assigned to a recon platoon, patrolling the Mekong Delta. Upon returning from Vietnam, he was at Fort Campbell, KY serving as a Cadre. Presented by his sisters Ruth Whay, Lois Kellum and Dale Mays.

**Location:** S. Main St./Small Town Burger pole

**FRANK L. SAUNDERS**

Frank left Morattico to join the Army in 1942. He was stationed in California for tank training. He went to New York City to serve in the North American and European Campaign. Frank proudly was a member of the Third Army under the leadership of General George Patton. He engaged in the Battles from France to Berlin. Presented by Frank Saunders, Jr. and Debbie Saunders.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. parking lot

**SANDY L. SAUNDERS**

Stanley "Sandy" L. Saunders, Jr. is a 1977 graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He pursued his dream of flying and became a Naval Aviator and a Fighter Pilot of F-14 Tomcats. He enjoyed a highly successful and distinguished career to include being hand chosen to attend Navy's Fighter Weapons School (Top Gun), 1990 Fighter Pilot of the Year, and Commander of Fighter Squadron 103. He currently resides in White Stone with his wife of 39 years, Patty Randall Saunders. Given by Patty and Amber Saunders and Tiffany and Tim Wolfe.

**Location:** Ross's Fine Jewelers window

**PETER W. SCHMIDT**

Cpl. Peter W. Schmidt, proudly served in the U.S. Army in the Pacific along with his brother, John F. Schmidt (India), his brother-in-law, James Sweeney (India) and his cousin, Lawrence E. Foley, Navy QM 2/C (Pacific). He was affectionately called "Red" by his fellow buddies. He wrote beautiful love letters to his sweetheart, Helen. They married on furlough. Their wedding photo is featured on the banner. Given by Elaine Schmidt Zygmank.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GEORGE, CALVIN & LLOYD SCOTT**

These three Scott brothers,

from Caroline County, VA, served in WWII at the same time. George, the oldest, was a pilot. Calvin, at the center of the picture, served in the signal corps and Lloyd, the youngest was a Navy yeoman. Given by Lloyd and Doris Christopher Scott.

**Location:** Banner returned to their family

**IRVIN C. SCOTT, SR.**

Irvin Scott began serving his country with the U.S. Army November 10, 1942. He was stationed in both Italy and Africa where he was a military policeman. He was honorably discharged on October 23, 1945. He was the husband of Rebecca Scott for 62 years. From this union they were blessed with one daughter and 3 sons. Ms. Diane Johnson, Irvin C. Scott Jr., James H. Scott and Leonard Scott. After 19 years he retired from Dahlgren Weapons Lab. Presented by Leonard and Billie Jean Scott, James H. Scott, and Diane Johnson.

**Location:** N. Main St./W. F. Booth & Son's pole

**GEORGE E. SIMMONS**

George enlisted November 9, 1972 and retired December 1, 1992. He was a first term aircraft maintenance technician and was retrained to meteorology in 1977. He retired as a Master Meteorologist. He received a BS from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. MSM, A. F. Commendation Medal. He served in the Vietnam through Desert Storm eras. Given by NAPA of Kilmarnock.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**V. CUNDIFF SIMMONS**

Cundiff was the youngest of 11 children. He served in, as Daddy called it, "the Battle of Hampton Roads". He served as Postmaster of Heathsville from the late 1940's to the mid 1970's. He was married to Katherine D. Hogan from June 1937 until his death in June 1995. He enjoyed bird hunting, a good joke and a good pipe of tobacco. Beloved husband, Daddy and Pop Pop. Given by Martin and Katherine Shirilla.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES BRADLEY SISSON**

Mr. Sisson was born in Harvey's Neck in Northumberland County; he grew up on Fleet's Bay and graduated high school in 1933. He entered the Marine Corps during the Depression, traveled the world and was discharged in 1937. He then worked on the U.S. west coast and in Indonesia before returning to Kilmarnock. The Army drafted him for service in WWII and sent him to Europe where he was awarded a Bronze Star recipient. Later he worked in the seafood industry. Married for 56 years to Carolyn Sanders Sisson, he died in 2010 at the age of 94. Presented by his nephew, Chris Stamm.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**DONALD V. SMART**

Don was commissioned in the Army Infantry from The University of Alabama ROTC. He served for 30 years in Europe, Taiwan, and Laos during WWII and the conflicts in Korea and Vietnam. He retired as a Colonel and—with his wife, Ocie—lived in Lancaster County for nearly 30 years. Presented by Neil Smart, his son.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**L. H. "DUKIE" SMITH**

"Dukie" was born in 1956, and was given the nickname "Dukie" which he still uses today. He enlisted in the Marines at age 19 and trained at Parris Island with other duty stations in California, Maryland and Virginia, with his final tour in Okinawa. While there he received the sharpshooter medal for hitting all ten bulls-eyes in one minute. He was honorably discharged in 1979. He is married to Diane and they have a daughter April Davis, two grandchildren, Madison and Luke. SEMPER PARVUS! Given by Mary Lynn Slaughter, April, Madison and Lucas Davis.

**Location:** S. Main St./ABC Store pole

**LINWOOD N. SMITH**

Linwood was born in Ottoman, VA and worked as a farmer, waterman and painter. While working at the Naval Weapons Station in Dahlgren, he learned of the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor. Although almost 30, he enlisted and served in Europe and Japan before being honorably discharged in 1946. Once asked what he was most afraid of, he replied that it was crossing the English Channel because it was so heavily mined. He married Mary Eliza Thomas in 1950 and was the father of three children. Presented by Mary Lynn Slaughter and Dukie Smith.

**Location:** S. Main St./ABC Store pole

**DONALD G. SMITH**

Born in Winfield, KS, on October 8, 1932, "Don" joined the USMC in May 1951. Following college, he attended flight school. On June 1, 1954 he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant. In addition to two tours in Vietnam he also served as a USMC lawyer while retaining his flying credentials. After 27 years of service and 5,500 flight hours, Don retired in June 1978 with the rank of Colonel. He and his wife, JoAnn, currently reside in the Weems area. Given by Suzy Long Cuthbertson.

**Location:** S. Main St./W. Church St. pole

**CARLYN WUCKOVICH**

Sgt. Carlyn Wuckovich Snoddy served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 2005-2010. She was stationed at Camp Lejeune, NC. Carlyn was a combat engineer with 2nd MLG 8th Engineer Support-Battalion Bridge Co. She is currently attending nursing school at George Mason University and wants to major in neurological care. Given by her parents, Collen and Bobby Wheeler.

**Location:** Banner returned to her family

**RICHARD C. SNYDER (POW in WWII)**

Born May 17, 1922, son of Dr. Howard McCrum Snyder, who was personal physician to General and President Eisenhower. Col. Snyder was a 1943 graduate of US Military Academy at West Point. In World War II flew as a fighter pilot in the 78th Fighter Group, 82nd Squadron, of the 8th Air Force stationed in Duxford, England. In 1944 while piloting a P-47 in Operation Market Garden he was shot down over Holland, captured and spent nine months as a POW in prison camp Stalag Luft 1, Barth, Germany. In 1948 he flew in the Berlin Airlift; became Aircraft Commander in USAF's Strategic Air Command flying B-29's. During his Air Force career, Col. Snyder received numerous prestigious medals. Presented by his widow, Mary Snyder.

**Location:** Town Hall

**FRED SOLODUK**

Fred enlisted in the Navy in 1942 at the age of 17. He served aboard a destroyer escort named the USS Carter in the North Atlantic until the end of the war. He was the senior gunners mate aboard his ship and participated in the sinking of 3 German U-Boats. He also completed several boardings of suspected enemy vessels while he served. After the war ended, he guarded German prisoners in Philadelphia. After the war, he raised a family and is now a great-grandfather. Given by The Soloduk Family.

**Location:** S. Main St./Blue Ridge Bank pole

**WM. K. STACKHOUSE**

William, a retired Lt. Col. USAF, graduated from the Air Force Academy in 1961. As an airlifter, he flew throughout the world. He was the space flight recovery planner for the Gemini and Apollo flights. Bill was the C-5 Program Manager in the Pacific. He and his family had eight statewide moves and one European move. He married his childhood sweetheart in 1965. They have two married daughters and 7 grandchildren. Given by Georgia and Ray Frances, Jeanette and Jason Clark and Rhoda Stackhouse.

**Location:** S. Main St./Blue Ridge Bank pole

**CHARLES EDWIN STODDARD, SR.**

A native of Graycourt, SC, after basic training at Parris Island, he was shipped off with the Pacific Fleet. He was a dog handler in one of the first ever dog units in WWII.

These dogs were so highly valued that their handler could be court marshaled if his dog was killed. Thankfully for Pops, that never happened. Presented by his son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Laura Stoddard.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**MICHAEL T. SUTHERLAND**

After commissioning as an ensign in the U.S. Navy Supply Corps at Villanova University in 1966, Michael served in a variety of afloat and shore assignments concluding with a tour as the Commanding

Officer of the Navy Regional Finance Center Washington. After more than 24 years, Micheal retired from active duty and now lives in Kilmarnock, VA with his wife Mary. Presented by his wife Mary Sutherland.

**Location:** Town Hall

**WARREN D. SUTHERLAND**

Warren Sutherland, a Washington D.C native, enlisted in the Air Force in 1967. He was deployed to South Korea during the Pueblo crisis in 1968. During the Vietnam War he spent more than 3 years in Thailand. Over 11 years spent in Germany and England. He retired in 1991 in Omaha, NE. In 2011 he moved to Kilmarnock, his wife's childhood home, where he was an active member of Kilmarnock Baptist Church. Given by his wife Marty and his children Doug Sutherland and Carol Sutherland Flynn.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**WILLIAM T. "TOM" SUTHERLAND**

Tom became a naval aviation cadet following graduation from college in 1939. Earning his wings that year he qualified to fly seaplanes. Serving in WWII in seaplanes (PBY's and PBM's) in the Eastern Pacific and the Caribbean. Following the war, he was sent to serve briefly in Occupied Japan. A career military man, he retired as a Captain in 1965. This is a painting made by his wife. Presented by his son, Capt. Michael Sutherland.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**FREDERICK H. SWAFFIN III**

Fred was in the U.S. Navy four years from 1959-1963. He was an "aviation storekeeper" first class and in the U.S. Navy Reserves. He trained in Bainbridge, MD. Fred was President of Fred Swaffin

Inc., "The Furniture Center" on West Church Street. He was President of the Kilmarnock Chamber of Commerce for two terms and President of the Kilmarnock Volunteer Fire Department for 27 years and a Town Council member for 12 years in Kilmarnock. Given by Charlotte, his wife, and his family.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES E. TADLOCK**

James Edwin Tadlock joined the U.S. Air Force in September 1965. He attended Basic Training at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX. He was then stationed at Chanute AFB in Illinois. Pope AFB in Fayetteville, NC, Ching Chuan AB in Taichung, Taiwan, Naha AB in Okinawa, Japan, Cam Ranh Bay AB in Vietnam and his final post was McChord AFB in Washington.

Sgt. Tadlock received his Honorable Discharge in September 1971. Given by the immediate family of James E. Tadlock.

**Location:** Masonic Hall parking lot

**STUART THORNTON TEBBS, JR.**

Stuart Thornton Tebbs, Jr. of Kilmarnock, VA, was born March 14, 1930, and enlisted in the Army Air Corps at the age of seventeen. He was first stationed at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX, and later at Keesler Field in Biloxi, MS, before being deployed to Guam where he was an airplane mechanic servicing B-29s. His last duty station was in California. After serving for two years, he received an honorable discharge with the rank of sergeant. Given by Albert and Rebecca Tebbs Nunn.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**GEORGE SONNY THOMAS**

George "Sonny" Thomas was born, raised and nurtured in Kilmarnock and graduated from Lancaster High School in 1957. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, completing basic training at Lackland AFB in San

Antonio, TX. Sonny served as a medical assistant in Biloxi, MS and Reno, NV. He returned to his home town where he has lived a life of community service, giving freely of his time and talents to his beloved Lancaster County. Given by Joan, Bruce, Patricia and their families.

**Location:** S. Main St./Waverly Ave. pole

**RICHARD "DICK" H. THOMPSON**

Born in Richmond, Dick served in the Army Air Corps, 388th Bomb Group out of England completing 31 combat missions. He was the ball turret gunner on the B-17 bomber, "Jamaica Ginger", and participated

in D-Day at Normandy. This Staff Sergeant was the recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross and is presented by his wife, Nina H. Thompson.

**Location:** N. Main St. pole/Masonic parking lot

**THOMAS EARL TOMLIN, JR.**

Thomas enlisted on December 4, 1984 and attended boot camp at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. He became a 12 Fox combat engineer at Fort Carson, Colorado Springs until 1987. Had the same M.O.S in Germany from

April 1991–December 1997. He was stationed at Fort Hood, TX, in January 1998–March 2000. He returned to Germany until he retired from the Army in 2002. After retirement, he returned to Fort Hood, TX, and is currently working for Army Railroad as a forklift operator. Wars served: Saudi Arabia (1990–1991) Bosnia (1995) Presented by Pauline Saunders, Earline Kelley, Vicki Robinson, Lori Ball, "The Tomlin Family."

**Location:** S. Main St./Stewarts Auto pole

**WALTER J. TRIBBEY, JR.**

Sergeant Walter Tribbey Jr., from Oklahoma, joined the U.S. Army in 1944 and was sent to La Harve, France where he joined the 411th regiment of the 103rd Infantry Division as an automatic rifleman. He was part of the Battle of Bulge, the Battle of the Rhineland, and the Battle of Central Europe. He earned the WWII Victory Ribbon, the EAME Theater Ribbon, two Bronze Service Stars and the Army of Occupation Ribbon. Given by Laura and Daniel Stoddard and Shelley Fargo.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**LAWRENCE K. TUCKER**

Lawrence was a gunner's mate on the USS Galveston and the USS Albany from 1956–1958. Given by his children, Kim Davis, Cindy King and Derek Stephenson.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES H. TURNER, SR.**

Private Turner was born in Appomattox, VA, in 1896. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 29, 1918, at Bedford, VA. He shipped to France during WWI to serve on the front lines as a trench runner. Clearly

identifiable—at least in daylight—by the red arm-bands fixed around their left forearm, trench runners bore messages from one area of a command unit to another, and qualified runners would be expected to closely familiarize themselves with areas of the front line into which a battalion would soon enter, generally so as to relieve the line's present occupants. Runners had to excel in map-reading and at reconnaissance. Speed and accuracy were essential in ensuring that the relieving forces were in place before daylight; in short, before the enemy force could catch troops in the open with artillery fire. He sailed back via the M.S.S. Maui from France April 31, 1919 and honorably discharged at Camp Lee, VA, on March 31, 1919. Presented by his granddaughter, Amy Lewis.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**JAMES E. TURNER, SR.**

James was an Army veteran of WWII serving in Europe and Africa as a medic. He was a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 33 and received many awards for his 50 years of dedicated service.

He served as the Flotilla commander for five terms and participated in over 1,500 safety patrols and rescued more than 250 people from the water. He resided on Waverly Ave. and was instrumental in rebuilding the town of Kilmarnock after a fire in 1952. Given by Jeannette Viernes and Franklin Fisher, Sr.

**Location:** Waverly Ave. pole

**JAMES E. TURNER, JR.**

Jimmy grew up in the town of Kilmarnock. He served in the Vietnam War. He was a Naval Aviator for 20 plus years and flew over 20 missions during his service. He retired as a Captain in the Navy. Following

his service he lived in Florida with his family. Given by his niece Jeannette Viernes and his brother-in-law Franklin Fisher, Sr.

**Location:** Waverly Ave. pole

**BILLY TUTT**

Billy Tutt served in WWII. He is husband to Lucille Tutt and father of Bill Tutt. Billy and Lucille lived in Reedville. Presented by Patsy Marshall.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**WILLIAM ALEXANDER UMPHLETT**

Born in Norfolk, Alex lived in White Stone after serving in WWII. He fought in a chemical unit during the Battle of Guadalcanal in the Pacific theater.

Presented by his son, Michael and his

wife, Mae, Umphlett.

**Location:** N. Main St./Hubbard Insurance pole

**GEORGE WILLIAM URBAN, JR.**

GM2 George enlisted on July 4, 1942, in Baltimore. After training as a Gunner's Mate, in 1943, he reported to LCI-177 (Landing Craft, Infantry) in New Guinea as ship's Gunner's Mate where he participated

in several landings. In 1944, George returned to the U.S. where he reported aboard LCI(L)-773 (Landing Craft Infantry (Large) and returned to New Guinea. LCI(L)-773 put troops ashore in the Leyte Gulf area. They were in Manila Bay, the Philippines when the atomic bombs were dropped on Japan. All the ships blew their whistles when the second bomb was dropped and the war ended. On LCI(L)-773, one day George received a set of barber tools. He learned how to cut hair from a shipmate, and that's how George began his lifelong vocation as a barber!

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**MELVIN E. VENEY**

Melvin took his basic training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and his engineering training for generator operations and diesel mechanics at Fort Belvoir, VA. From there, he went to Schweinfurt, Germany, where

he served 2 ½ years and learned air conditioning and refrigeration—the basis for his business today. Presented by his wife, Caroline Veney.

**Location:** N. Main St./Papeterie pole

**FRANCIS T. WALKER**

Francis Walker enlisted on August 28, 1948 and served for 3 years and 11 months.

Following basic training at Ft. Jackson SC, Francis trained at the Marbo Food Service School and then with the Quarter Master

Unit 913 TSU for two years at Ft. Lee, VA. He then deployed to Korea with the 212th Military Police 9th Corps. He was discharged from Ft. George in St. Meade MD on June 9, 1952 with the rank of Technical Sergeant. Presented by his wife, Irene Walker.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**WILLIAM B. WALKER**

Dad! You will always be my favorite hero. Thank you for all you did for our country and thank you for all you have done for me. You're gone but not forgotten! I love you and miss you! All gave some, some gave

all! Love your son, Scoob. Given by his son Clint C. Walker.

**Location:** Augusta St./W. Church St. pole

**KENNETH R. WASHINGTON**

Kenneth Ryland Washington served in the United States Marine Corp from 1980 -1984. He completed basic training at Paris Island, SC; infantry at Camp Lejeune, NC; and Recon School in Okinawa, Japan.

Kenneth was honorably discharged as an E-4 Corporal. He is a graduate of Lancaster High School and the son of Mrs. Phyllis Washington Smith and the late Robert Washington. Kenneth and his wife, Carole, reside in Farnham, VA.

Presented by Carole Lynn Washington.

**Location:** S. Main St./Waverly Ave. pole

**DON WATROUS**

Don served from 1983 to 2007 throughout the U.S. as well as one tour each in Europe and Asia. His primary specialty was the F-15, he shot down an Iraqi fighter during the Gulf War, and flew over 50 different

airplanes and helicopters as a test pilot and then retired to the Northern Neck after a tour at the Pentagon. Presented by Deanna Skilling.

**Location:** S. Main St./When Ordinary Won't Do pole

**W. MADISON "MOON" WEBB**

"Moon" was a Kilmarnock native. Nicknamed by Luther Headley because of his round face. He graduated from Kilmarnock High School, where they won the baseball pennant in 1937. Moon was

their shortstop. He went to the Babe Ruth baseball school in Florida in 1939 and in 1940 was with the Orioles Spring Training camp in Edenton, NC when he was the first person drafted into WWII from Lancaster County. Entering the Army on February 3, 1941, he was the third baseman for the Fort Story, VA, post team that played against Major and Minor League teams in exhibition games for 5 years while in the Army. He was discharged on December 8, 1945. He was inducted into the Northern Neck Sports Hall of Fame in 2001. Given by the Mary Webb Trust.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**WM. RAY WHALEY**

Ray Whaley served in Vietnam from August 1970 to August 1971 and achieved the rank of Sergeant. Presented by Sandra G. Whaley.

**Location:** Town Hall

**ALLEN WHAY**

Allen was born and raised in Kilmarnock, one of 12 children. Son of Myrtle Oplinger, he was a loving brother, father, and son. Given by Cathrine Clingan.

**Location:** Visiting Angels window

**WILLIAM HENRY WHEALTON, JR.**

William Henry Whealton, Jr., was born in Morattico, VA. He joined the Navy at the age of 18 and served during the Vietnam War from February 2, 1959 to February 1, 1963. While in the Navy he earned a Good

Conduct Medal and also held rank of a EN3. After active duty he served in the Naval Reserves until February 11, 1965. He was stationed on the USS Northampton. Given by William, Kathy and Kyle Conrad.

**Location:** Blue Ridge Bank window

**B. D. WILLIAMS**

B. D. was born February 14, 1919 in White Stone. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 20, 1943. He served in Scotland and Germany during World War II and was honorably discharged on April 29, 1946.

He returned home and married his sweetheart, Elizabeth Brent Williams and lived in his family's home in White Stone. He worked as a second engineer on Menhaden fish boats until he retired. Given by his daughters Cathy Williams Rowe and Betty Carol Rilee.

**Location:** S. Main St./Burkes Fine Jewelers pole

**DR. LEE WILLIAMS**

Dr. Williams served in the Far East in the Korean War as a Captain in the Army Medical Corp treating Korean wounded. He also served in the Navy during WWII as an ensign in the medical corps in the

States. He says his service in Korean War was much more significant. Dr. and Mrs. Williams currently reside at RWC. Given by Dr. Lee Williams.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family

**MARIO THOMAS WILLIAMS**

Specialist E4, Mario was born in Baltimore, Maryland. He joined the Army in April of 1977. He attended Material Supply in April of 1978 followed by attending prescribed load listing and Army management

maintenance system in March 1979 to become an equipment records and parts specialist. Specialist E4 Williams received his associate's degree from Catonsville Community College in Catonsville, Maryland as well as a Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management from the University of Baltimore. Presented by his wife Lesha C. Williams.

**Location:** S. Main St./Burkes Fine Jewelers pole

**HORACE A. WILMORE**

Horace was born December 4, 1919 in Northumberland County. A few years later, his family moved to a farm in Lancaster County. At the age of 21, he joined the U.S. Navy. He served during WWII as a Machin-

ist's Mate aboard the USS Kewadyn. In October of 1945, he was honorably discharged and returned home to his family farm where he remained until his death on December 4, 1994. Given by Ronnie Wilmore, Ashley Wilmore, Brian Wilmore and Stacey Wilmore Eggers.

**Location:** Augusta St. pole

**ROBERT K. WINELAND**

"Bob" was born July 15th, 1924. He grew up in Southeast Washington, D.C. and was trained as a medic for World War II. During "Battle of the Bulge" only he and two others in his platoon survived. After the

war he returned to D.C. and got his MD from GWU. He had a wonderful life, practiced pediatrics for 45 years, traveled all over the world and died with all of his family by his side at the age of 91. Presented by Robert C. Wineland, Richard H. Wineland, Laura W. Wineland and Elizabeth W. Gamble.

**Location:** S. Main St./Coastal pole



**JAMES D. WITCHER**

James served in the Army from 1967 through 1971, with tours in Turkey, Japan and Vietnam. He also served in the Army Security Agency in electronic surveillance. After getting out of the Army, he became an electronics technician. Given by Sue Shaffer.

**Location:** S. Main St./Ross's Fine Jewelers pole



**VARLEY L. WRICK, JR.**

This Cleveland, OH native, Technical Sergeant Wrick parachuted, with the rest of the 101st Airborne, into Normandy on D-Day. He was also part of "Operation Market Garden" in September of 1944, the largest airborne operation up until that time, and the Battle of Bastogne in Belgium in December of 1944. Presented by his son, Varley Wrick III, a generous contributor to this program.

**Location:** S. Main St./American Standard Insurance pole



**WILLIAM W. YARY**

William enlisted in the Army Air Corp Aviation cadet program. He ran bombing missions in WWII. On his 3rd mission, his aircraft took a direct hit. He guided his crippled plane home at low altitudes through enemy infested areas. Awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and completed 27 missions as the lead crew navigator. In 1948, he entered Pilot Flight Training. Upon graduation, he flew air evacuation missions during the Korean War. For 3 years, he was assigned as an Exchange Officer in England with the Royal Air Force. In 1965, he was assigned to the Pentagon, retiring in 1974 as a Lieutenant Colonel. He resides at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury in Irvington, VA. Presented by his daughter, Margo Harvey and Michelle Kratz.

**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**RAY A. YOCOM**

My hero was a 25 year old Corporal in the Army Air Force. Ray volunteered for duty in 1943. He flew a P-38 Lightning and was a gunnery instructor for B24 Liberators. He didn't say much about his service, but I know he had the second highest IQ in the AAF. He also qualified as a sharp shooter with a pistol, but every time we went shooting he always let me "win". That was my Dad. Presented by Randy and Nina Yocom.

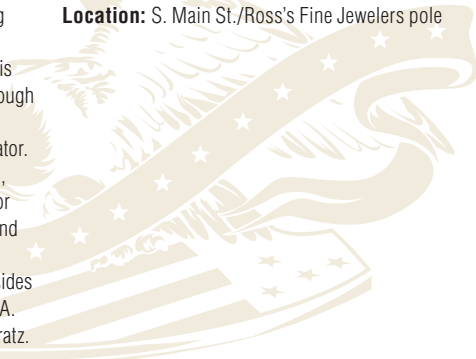
**Location:** Banner returned to his family



**JOHN CHARLES YORK**

John served in the infantry under General George Patton. He landed in Normandy after D-Day and fought his way across Northern France. After V-E Day, he was among the Million-Man invasion force massed near Marseilles. That operation was avoided by the Japanese surrender. A North Carolina native, he died in Richmond in 2008 while living in Kilmarnock, VA. Given by Michael and Becky York.

**Location:** S. Main St./Ross's Fine Jewelers pole

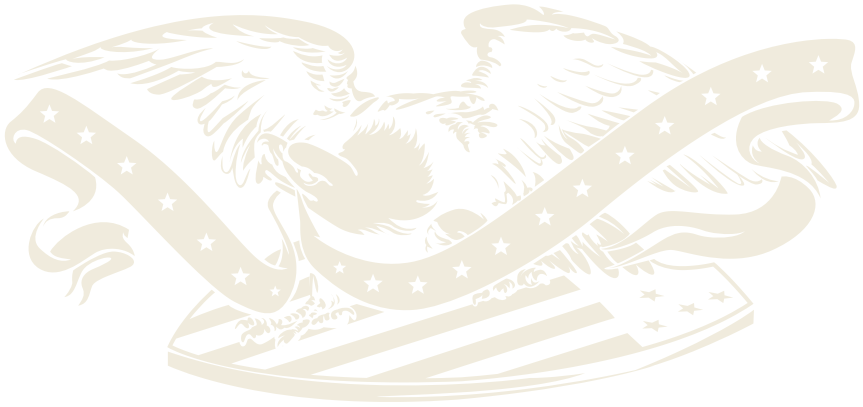


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