



*Bob Bryan Merrill*

**Dec. 19, 1928 - Oct. 22, 2018**

Bob Bryan Merrill, 89, of Morganton went to be with the Lord on Monday, October 22, 2018. Born in Gaston County, NC on December 19, 1928, he was the son of the late Lloyd Reid Merrill and Celia Irene Denton Merrill. Bob was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War. Bob worked for Love Heating and Plumbing and retired from the NC Department of Corrections. He was a wonderful grandfather to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; he taught them many skills.

Bob is survived by his wife of 63 years, Shirley Murphy Merrill of the home; children, Kathy Merrill Radcliff (Forrest) of Asheville, Robert Bryan Merrill (Chesley) of Linville Falls, and Karen Merrill Tedder (Danny) of Rock Hill, SC; grandchildren, Kristen E. Morrison, Ethan Merrill (Amber), Jake Tedder, Hayden Tedder, and Mallory Claire Tedder; and great-grandchildren, Peyton and Avery.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by a grandson, Thomas Evan Merrill.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Saturday, October 27, 2018 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The graveside service will follow at 2:30 p.m. in Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery. Military honors will be provided by the U.S. Navy and the Caldwell County Veterans Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 241808, Charlotte, NC 28224-1808 or to Homes for Our Troops, 6 Main St. Taunton, MA 02780.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.