



## DeCorsey Bolden

DeCorsey Emroy Bolden, 91, of Oakland died on Friday, April 29, 2016 at his home. Born on November 27, 1924 in Oakland, he was the son of the late Emroy DeCorsey and Mary Harper (May) Bolden. He attended the University of Maryland after which time he proudly served his country in the United States Navy during and beyond World War II. He was a naval aviator and flight school instructor. DeCorsey was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates for three terms, serving from 1970 to 1982. During his time in the House, he Chaired the Garrett County Delegation, was a member of the House Appropriations Committee, as well as the Subcommittee on Education and Human Resources and the Special Joint Committee on Capital Projects. He was also elected as a delegate to the Republican National Convention in both 1980 and 1984. He served on the Garrett County Republican Central Committee and the Garrett County Liquor Control Board until his death. He was a 27 year member of the Oakland Volunteer Fire Department and a lifelong member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Additional commitments to his community included a Life Scout membership in the Boy Scouts of America, Life Member of the American Legion Proctor Kildow Post #71 for which he served on the combined military honor guard for the funerals of numerous local veterans, a member of the Oakland Elks Lodge #2481, a member and past president of The Garrett County Historical Society, and a member of the Friend's of Ruth Enlow Library. He was inducted into the Maryland Senior Citizen Hall of Fame in 2015. Along with his impressive political activities, DeCorsey was a true Garrett County business man as the owner of the Southern Laundromat, Southern Apartments, Southern Car Wash, Southern Sanitation Service and Southern Office Supply. He is survived by a daughter, Mary DeCorsey Bolden of Easton, PA; two sons, Emroy DeCorsey "Ski" Bolden of Chevy Chase and Jeffries Dawson Bolden and wife Sue of Arbutus; two grandchildren, Robert Everett Stark of Philadelphia, PA and Margaret Kathleen Stark of Seattle, WA; two former wives, Nancy Dawson Bolden of Chevy Chase and Mary Phyllis Bolden of Oakland; one niece, Nancy Nelson Preg of Seattle, WA; and three nephews, Terry Helbig and Joseph Helbig, both of Oakland and David Worgan of Seattle. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Virginia Bolden Murray and Nancy Lucille Bolden Helbig and two brothers in law, Edward Murray and James Helbig. Friends will be received at the C & S Fredlock Funeral Home, P.A., 21 N 2nd St., Oakland on Wednesday, May 4th from 1 to 4 and 7 to 9 PM. A funeral service will be held in St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Thursday, May 5th at 11 AM with Rev. Dr. C. Scott Robinson officiating. Interment with military honors will follow in the Oakland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Oakland Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 43, Oakland, MD 21550.

Charitable donations may be made to:

Oakland Volunteer Fire Department  
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