



Dr. Mike Curtis Chesson



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Newport News, VA

02.23.1930 - 11.01.2017

Dr. Mike C. Chesson died peacefully at The Chesapeake Assisted Living facility on November 1, 2017 in Newport News, VA at the age of 87.

Mike is survived by his beloved wife of 62 years, Gail DeWitt Chesson of Newport News, VA; his children, Cindy Brigman (Ned) of Norfolk VA; Scott Chesson (Lisa) of Chincoteague VA; Ken Chesson (Patty) of Chesapeake VA; Doug Chesson (Donna), of Unity VA; and Anne Edwards (Rob) of Richmond VA; grandchildren, Zach, Caty, Hillary, Steven, Cristina, Haley, Lauren, Jaryd, Blair, Adam, Tyler, Abby, and Danielle; great-grandchildren, Weston, Mercy, Clover, and Holt and a brother, Stillman D. Chesson.

Mike was born on February 23, 1930 in Waverly, VA, to Maywood and Annie Chesson, and was one of eight children. He attended VA Tech before graduating from the University of Georgia, with a degree in Veterinary medicine in 1957. He married Gail, his college sweetheart, in 1955. After college, Mike settled in Ivor VA, where he began his private practice, providing veterinary services to the southeastern VA community. Over the next 10 years, the couple welcomed 5 children into their home and Mike and Gail set about teaching them about Jesus Christ. Family remembers Mike as a kind and gentle husband and father, who encouraged them to pursue their goals. Along with his parents, Mike was preceded in death by a brother, Maywood W. Chesson, Jr.; his sisters, Anne Chesson (infant), Evelyn Raines, Katherine Scott, Ruth Shaw, and Rebecca Jones and a granddaughter, Erin Brigman.

He was passionate about his faith and sharing it with those he met. When the children were grown and out on their own, he used his vocation to volunteer for the mission field with the International Mission Board, and he and Gail served faithfully for many years, both in South Africa and Mexico. He was an active and dedicated member of Ivor Baptist Church, Waverly Baptist Church and Bethel Baptist church in Yorktown VA.

A graveside service is scheduled for 11 AM, Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Waverly Cemetery on Spring Branch Road, Waverly VA 23890. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Mike's life. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Gideon's International (<https://www2.gideons.org/donate>) or the Galilean Home in Liberty Kentucky (<https://galileanhome.org/>). The family would like to thank The Chesapeake caregivers and staff for all of their care and love during this difficult time. R.W. Baker & Co. Funeral Home, Wakefield Chapel is serving the family. Condolences may be posted at www.rwbakerfh.com.

Cemetery

Start Time: Saturday, November 4, 2017 -

11:00am

Waverly Cemetery

Spring Branch Road

Waverly, VA 23890

United States

Google Maps Link

[Directions to Waverly Cemetery](#)

