Ursel Genial Ball

March 2, 2018

Ursel Genial Ball, 92 of Scott Depot, passed away Friday, March 2, 2018.

He was preceded in death by his parents; David French Ball and Sybil Jesse Ball; the “person he loved most in this world” his beloved wife, JoAnn Ball and siblings, Loretta Ball Workman, Susie Louise Ball White, Lucy Ball Vankirk, Guy Glenial Ball, Mary Frances Ball, Leonard Sammy Ball, David Ball, Jr. and Anna Clarine Ball.

Ursel served his country during World War II, in the United States Navy, as a radio operator. He was stationed primarily in San Francisco and Hawaii and also served in the battle of Iwo Jima.

Following his military service, Ursel worked for Spruce River Coal Company, American Visco’s and Good Rich Gulf. He retired from Kanawha County Schools, as an electrician. Ursel was a member of Scott Depot Christ Fellowship with whom he traveled to Israel multiple times. He had a passion for fishing.

He is survived by his siblings; Kathryn Ball Ross Wright, Lula Jane Ball Stevens, Roger Glen Ball, Michael Ray Ball, Philip Ball and Betty Lou Jeffrey Thompson; a niece that he thought of as a daughter, Brenda Black of Frazier’s Bottom; two granddaughters, Luanne Runyon of Fraziers Bottom and Malisa

Deweese (Steve) of Scott Depot; great-grandson, Gabe Runyon; great-granddaughter, Tori Stitely (Brian) and two great-great grandchildren.

A private family service will be held at the Black Family Cemetery, Fraziers Bottom, WV.

You may share memories of Ursel Genial Ball on his tribute page by visiting ChapmanFuneralHomes.com

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane is honored to serve the family of Ursel Genial Ball.

Cemetery Details

Black Family Cemetery

3854 Poindexter Road
Fraziers Bottom, WV 25082

Tribute Wall

Ursel Genial Ball

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM

LH

I would like to extend my condolences to the family. I didn't realize I had relatives so close to my in Putnam County. I am Loretta Ball Workman's granddaughter and my mother fondly remembers visiting Ursel's house with them years ago. Sincerely, Leasa Harless

Leasa Harless - March 07, 2018 at 10:25 AM

KE

The West Virginia and Kanawha County Associations of Retired School Employees extend their sincere sympathy to you, the family, in your sorrow. Blessings to all.

Kanawha Co. Retired School Employees - March 06, 2018 at 11:17 AM

HA

Our deepest sympathy, Mr. Ball and JoAnn were very special to all of us. We will never forget them. My husband Mike was Mr.Ball's helper at Kanawha Co. Schools. In 1976 our son was born that year and they were so good to him, sent him gifts from Israel . Made him a blanket and a Santa that we still have. Sending thoughts and prayers to all the family. Mike and Susie Haynes

Haynes' - March 05, 2018 at 10:37 PM

Genial was one of a kind! One of the kindest and most loving men I’ve ever known. A GREAT friend of the Otis Wells Family ❤️

Bonnie Wells - March 04, 2018 at 05:51 PM

BS

Barb Samms, Scott Depot,WV
I was a caregiver when he lived at Regency Place. Ursel was jun to take care of. It seemed as he could keep us laughing. I feel really blessed to have had the privilege of helping take care of him. It was fun when I would have to go in his room no matter what he was needing help with.

Barbara Samms - March 04, 2018 at 02:54 PM

CW

I am so sorry for this loss, love, and prayers. Genial and Jo were strong, grounded, and loving figures when I started at Scott Depot Christ Fellowship. I appreciated so much the role they played to love and care for my son and me. They hold a special place as earth angels and I am sure they are having quite a reunion in heaven. Love and prayers Cheryl and Nick Walker.

Cheryl Walker - March 04, 2018 at 12:43 PM

May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Ursel Genial Ball, give you peace, comfort and strength…

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten..
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of ….

US Navy WW II Veteran, Ursel Genial Ball, is "A True American Hero" God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Millitary Museum - March 04, 2018 at 07:35 AM

BB

He was a great cruise companion--except when he got locked out of his cabin in the middle of the night--but I slept through all the drama of Beverly & Brenda getting him back in his room. I have seen his Navy photo--I see why he had so many lady friends who tried to catch his eye--BUT--his eyes were only on one lady--his beautiful Jo. Rest in Peace sweet man--your work is done here on earth. Barbara G. Burch Cedar Park Texas.

Barbara G. Burch - March 03, 2018 at 08:00 PM

Bonita Hager lit a candle in memory of Ursel Genial Ball

Bonita Hager - March 03, 2018 at 03:21 PM