



Allen Conkle

April 24, 1921 - March 18, 2010

Capt. Allen C. Conkle, 88, of King and Queen died March 18, 2010. He was born April 24, 1921 in Guinea Mills, Va., one of 11 children of Frank Clark Conkle and Landonna Burke Wright. At the death of this father at age 13 he quit school to help support his family. He went to sea at age 19 as a deck hand and worked and self educated himself to rise to the rank of Master Mariner, with an unlimited license to captain any size ship, anywhere in the world. He served his country in World War II, Korea, the Lebanon Crisis and Vietnam supplying our troops. He is survived by his wife, Rita; 8 children, Allen P Conkle and Margaret Mcmanus of Pennsylvania, Rita Brett and Jean Jefferson of North Carolina, Father Frank Conkle of Puerto Rico, Joe Conkle, Ann Conkle and Bill Conkle of Virginia; 18 grandchildren and 30 great grandchildren. He is also survived by his godchildren, Theresa Nettles, Christina Inge, and Steven Rose; seven god-grandchildren; and close friends, Mary and Brian Webb. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 27th, 2 p.m., at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, Va. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Allen Conkle Fund, c/o Vincent Funeral Home, P.O. Box 191, West Point, VA, 23181.