



Jerald Lapham, Sr. "Jerry"

April 24, 1944 - May 17, 2010

Jerald R. Lapham "Jerry", 66, of Wake, Va., formerly of Toano, Va. passed away May 17, 2010. He was born in Rumford Maine in 1944. Jerry was employed by David A. Nice Builders, Inc. of Williamsburg for over twenty years, was a James City fireman for more than 13 years, and was a lifetime member of the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents Vervion Lapham and Eva Saunders. Left to cherish his memory are his wife and best friend of 45 years, Claire Lapham; a daughter, Melissa Jordan (Ron) of West Point; a son, Robbie Lapham (Leslie) of Lanexa; and Jennifer Hewitt, whom he thought of as a daughter. He is also survived by five grandchildren; Bryan and Todd Jordan, Niki Bista, Nicholas and Nathan Lapham; two sisters, Polly Watson (Julian) of Mathews ,VA, and Rhonda Smith (Clint) of North Carolina; along with several nieces and nephews, and many dear friends. A funeral service will be held 2 p.m., Thursday, at Vincent Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, Va. The family will receive friends 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, also at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, 3135 Forge Rd., Toano, VA 23168.