



Ralph Franklin Langley

September 3, 1933 - November 11, 2022

Ralph Franklin Langley, 89, of Saint Albans, WV, peacefully went to be with the Lord on November 11th, 2022. He was a faithful and loving Husband, Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather.

Born on September 3rd, 1933, at home, he was the son of Frank and Goldie Langley of Kenova.

He served this great nation as a member of the Navy on the aircraft carrier USS Lake Champlain from 1954 to 1956 and was awarded the Navy Occupation Service Medal given to allied forces in Europe following World War II.

He later served as a member of the West Virginia State Police from 1957, retiring in 1988 as a Lieutenant overseeing a sophisticated laboratory at the Criminal Identification Bureau in South Charleston. Ralph became interested in firearms at an early age and would buy or trade guns so he could learn as much as he could about them. "I was always interested in how guns were manufactured, how they operated and how the powder and bullets behaved when the guns were fired".

Ralph was a member of Grace Baptist Temple and served as a Deacon. He loved the church with his words and his affection. Ralph and his wife enjoyed

the fellowship of neighbors and church members by encouraging a smile while providing meals and spiritual comfort.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Marie Bailey Langley, daughter, Leisa Langley Duga, (Don) of Baton Rouge, LA; sons; Ralph Franklin Langley II, (Lisa) of Winfield, WV; and James Thomas Mathew Langley, (Robbin) of Wichita Falls, TX; grandchildren, Jason Duga, (Nichole) of Houston, TX; Zachary Langley, (Samantha) of Wichita Falls, TX; Derek Langley of Morgantown, WV; Lindsey Duga of Baton Rouge, LA; Alex Langley, (Lauren) of Scott Depot, WV and Ethan Langley of Winfield, WV; great-grandchildren, Emie and Atticus of Wichita Falls, TX.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 19, 2022 at Graceland Memorial Park, South Charleston with Pastor Brian Dean officiating. Entombment will follow.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the Grace Baptist Temple, Saint Albans.

Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

You can visit Ralph's tribute page at Bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com to share condolences or memories with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Langley family.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Memorial Park

100 Graceland Circle
South Charleston, WV 25309

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home
409 Sixth Avenue
Saint Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4325

Funeral Service

NOV 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Graceland Memorial Park
100 Graceland Circle
South Charleston, WV 25309

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph Franklin Langley.*



November 17, 2022 at 04:17 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph Franklin Langley.*



November 17, 2022 at 01:37 PM



“ *Ralph was like a second dad to me!
Leisa an I were best friends for many many years, we were inseparable!
I have nothing but kind, sweet, funny memories of Ralph. Such a wonderful man!
I'm truly sorry for your loss, I will remember you all in my prayers.
RIP Ralph ❤️*

Barb Edwards - November 17, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ Dear Ralph ‘s visits to Texas to see family were always the best. I know he and Marie considered me family. I’m so blessed that they did. We always had such wonderful visits. I loved our lunches together at “girly” tea rooms in Old Town Spring. I’m so blessed that he was part of my life. I love you. ❤️

Mary Stewart - November 16, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ Mary Stewart sent a virtual gift in memory of Ralph Langley



Mary Stewart - November 16, 2022 at 06:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph Franklin Langley.



November 15, 2022 at 10:09 PM



“ I worked at the WV State Police, headquarters from 1972 to approximately 1982!!!! I always remember Ralph getting off of the elevator with a smile and a sense of being the gentleman that he was....sending love and prayers to his family ❤️

Joyce Mayhew - November 15, 2022 at 03:10 PM

TC

“ We will never forget Ralph. He was like a father/Grandfather to my husband and I and our kids and grandchildren. He loved everyone he met. Marie, you and Ralph will always hold a special place in our hearts. You always embraced us with love and will live in our hearts forever.

Tracy Caldwell - November 15, 2022 at 11:36 AM

JB

“ Mrs. Langley and family, my heart is saddened to learn of Lieutenant Langley's passing. As a member of the WV State Police, I had the privilege of becoming friends with this great gentleman. He was one of the most respected and admired members of the State Police, that I knew. That respect was largely due to the fact that he gave respect to those he encountered. I will always remember Lt. Langley as a kind and caring individual. May Gods grace and enduring love comfort each of you during this most difficult time. His promise is everlasting life, and you will be reunited someday! God bless each of you and may my friend, Lieutenant Langley, Rest In Peace!!
John P Bragg WVSP - Retired

john P Bragg - November 15, 2022 at 07:26 AM

BB

“ It saddened me to hear of his passing. He was always good to me and knew my in laws. Joe and Lillian Ball.Hewill be missed. Prayers for family and friends. Butch and Claudia Berlin.

Butch Berlin - November 14, 2022 at 06:15 PM

JC

“ Always enjoyed talking to Ralph and Rocky when I frequented the Firearms Lab while I was a trooper. He always took the time which made him the decent individual he was. God Bless his family.

John A. Casto - November 14, 2022 at 04:10 PM