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## C ommunity Activist - Kendal B. Prettyman dies.

KENDAL BARKER PRETTYMAN, 85, of the Country Rest Home in Greenwood, DE, died June 28, 2008 at Greenwood.

Mr. Prettyman, a native of Lewes, the son of Wm. Olva and Lottie Spicer Prettyman, lived in Georgetown for about 50 years before returning to the Lewes area in 1995. He had most recently resided at Martin Lane in Rehoboth Beach prior to a severe stroke in February of 2002. He was a 1941 graduate of Lewes High School. After this, he worked in a civilian support position at Fort Miles under the U.S. Army Engineers for about 2 years before enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corps, Fifth Division, at the height of World War II. He participated in the Battle of Iwo Jima as a mortar gunner and was involved in the occupation of Japan until being honorably discharged in 1946 as a Corporal. Mr. Prettyman joined the Army Reserves, as a Corporal, in 1949 and spent time training at Fort Bliss, Texas. He retired from the Reserves in 1983 with the rank of Major. Upon returning to the States after the war, he worked as parts manager for the Henlopen Motor Company in Lewes (later Don Gallagher Motors) for eleven years until a fire destroyed the business. Mr. Prettyman then went to work as a loan officer for Georgetown Trust, which was later acquired by

Wilmington Trust Company. He served 32 years with the company, retiring in 1989.

Mr. Prettyman was past president of the Sussex Chapter of the American Institute of Banking (A.I.B.) and served as chairman of the A.I.B. National Publicity and Publications from 1965 - 1966. He was very involved in the activities of his children. Mr. Prettyman was a past treasurer of the Sussex Central High School Band Boosters. He served 9 years in the positions of President, trip coordinator

and chief fundraiser for the Sussex Central Junior High Band Boosters. He was also a past treasurer for the Sussex Central Senior and Junior High Wrestling Boosters. Mr. Prettyman served



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as treasurer of the Georgetown Little League for 25 years. He served as secretary of the Union Cemetery, in Georgetown, from 1968 to 2002. Mr. Prettyman was a past treasurer of

the Georgetown branch of the Salvation Army. He was an original charter member of the Delmarva Easter Seals and was involved with the formation of the Central Sussex United Fund, later called United Way, and also volunteered at the Sussex Pregnancy Care Center and with Meals on Wheels.

Mr. Prettyman was a life member of VFW Post Number 9264, Fifth Marine Division Association, Marine Corps League, which includes Department of Delaware and Diamond State Detachment. He held the title of Pedigreed in the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, which is the Honor Society of the Marine Corps League. Mr. Prettyman also received the Legion of Honor and

The Chapel of Four Chaplains citations.

He was a past member of Bethel United Methodist Church in Lewes and a past member of Wesley United Methodist Church in Georgetown. While at Wesley, he had served in the positions of Sunday School superintendent, chairman of the trustees, chairman of the finance committee and president of

the Methodist Men. He became a member of the Lewes Church of Christ in 1995.

His first wife of 45 years, Jeanette R., died April 15, 1993. Survivors: wife of thirteen years, Genevieve B. Prettyman, of Rehoboth Beach; sons, Ray K and wife, Linda, of Largo, FL, Keith R. of Georgetown, and Ralph W. and wife, Andrea, of Milford; daughter, Beth P.

Berrie and husband, Charles, of Hartly, DE; stepson, Richard T. Burton of Selbyville; stepdaughters Cheryl Skinner and husband, Richard, of Magnolia, and Carol Dukes and husband, Joseph of Frankford; eight grandchildren - Erica E. Jarmon and husband, Steve, of Phoenixville, PA, Tabitha A. Prettyman of Hartley, Jacob W. Prettyman of Little Heaven, Zachary E. and Alyssa R. Prettyman of Milford, Dalton M. and Sawyer R. Berrie of Hartly, Austin J. Prettyman of Largo, FL, one great-grandson, Addison R. Prettyman; five step-grandchildren - Richard Skinner III and wife, Alison; Lee Skinner and wife, Erin; Alisha White and husband, Travis; Crystal Dukes; David Dukes and wife, Olga; and five step-great-grandchildren - Domenick, Logan, and Ava Skinner; Kierstin Dukes; and Alec Dukes.



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Funeral services will be held July 6th at Bethel United Methodist Church, W. 4th Street, Lewes, DE. at 3:00P PM where a viewing will begin at 2:00 PM. Graveside services and burial will immediately follow at Bethel Methodist Cemetery, Lewes, DE, with full military honors. Contributions may be made to Bethel United Methodist Church 129 W. 4th Street Lewes, DE 19958-or to the Lewes Historical Society 110 Shipcarpenter Street Lewes, DE 19958-or to the Milford Historical Society , PO BOX 352, Milford, DE 19963-

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