



## Wayne F. Phelps

September 4, 1922 - July 8, 2022

Wayne F. Phelps, 99, of Jacksonville passed away Friday, July 8, 2022, at Jacksonville Skilled Nursing Center. He was born, Sept. 4, 1922, in Quincy, the son of Earl W. Phelps and Marie Farrell Phelps. Wayne was raised as an Illinois farm boy and served in the US Army Air Corps for three years until honorably discharged in 1946. A self-trained electrician, he was later employed with the McDonnell Aircraft Corporation and the following McDonnell-Douglas Corporation as an electrician in the NASA Mercury and Gemini projects. Upon leaving the space projects, he again tried his hand at farming in Kentucky before returning to Illinois to retire in Jacksonville.

Surviving is son, Terry Phelps, (Barbara), of Fayetteville, NC; grandchildren, Jaylene Phelps-Braxton, (Jimmy), of Columbia, SC and Terry W. Phelps, Jr., (Jennifer), of Cary, NC. Great-grandson Brandon Phelps of Raleigh, NC, and great-granddaughters Vania Braxton of Charlotte NC and Andi Capers of Columbia, SC, and three great-great grandchildren, Andrew, Nicholas and Benjamin of Columbia, SC. Wayne is also survived by his sister, Shirley Goodman of Scottsdale, AZ., and was preceded in death by brothers Don, Max and Delbert.

Cremation rights have been accorded. Daws Family Funeral Home in Jacksonville is entrusted with the arrangements.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Wayne F. Phelps*

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