



Merle M. Long

June 8, 1926 - April 21, 2018

Merle M. Long, 91, of Carrollton, died April 21, 2018 at Aultman Hospital in Canton after an extended illness.

Born June 8, 1926 in Carroll County, he was a son of the late Oliver H. and Eva J. Snively Long.

Merle was a career Navy veteran, having served during World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War. His service spanned 43 years from 1944 until 1987, when he retired as a Command Master Chief Petty Officer.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, the former D. Sue Hubbard, whom he married on March 25, 1949. Also surviving are a son, Merle Long Jr. of Carrollton; two daughters, Eva Louise (Leo) Sumner and Brenda Sue (Mike) Snyder both of Covington, Louisiana; seven grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

Along with his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Carl Long, in 1979 and a sister, Jean Moore in 2017.

Graveside services were held in Westview Cemetery with full military honors. The family was assisted with arrangements by Dodds Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Westview Cemetery

Fourth Street SE
Carrollton, OH 44615

Tribute Wall

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“ I served with Master Chief Long from 1981-1983 aboard the USS Bellevue Wood - I remember Master Chief as a kind, knowledgeable and pillar of a “lifer” !!! I also remember he always went on liberty in uniform... I always wondered if he owned civilian clothes? RIP shipmate! RM1 Alex Gonzalez

Alex Ginzalez - January 18, 2019 at 06:36 AM

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“ To the family and friends of ETCM Merle Long. I served with him as a fellow Plankowner on USS Belleau Wood, LHA-3. Here's a little insight of the man based on my experience. He knew the techs in Operations Department, he'd done his homework checking individual's service records as they reported to the Precomm Unit and the ship after her commissioning. One day he came to ECM-1 on the 07 level in the island, from his office (EMO) on the 04. He asked me if I'd be a tech assist to his fresh-caught TACAN tech, an ETN or R-3, straight out of "A" and "C" school. My Chief's jaw hung out when I responded, "Yes.", to the Master Chief. The PO3 was having trouble changing operating freqs due to our passing from the Atlantic to the Pacific after transiting the Panama Canal. I had the TACAN NEC due to my graduating from the ET "C" school when I was an ET. (I was an "instant" EW1 from ET1 in '73, and that's another story.) My Chief had not reviewed service records of the EWs in his/our division. Merle was a great Sailor, a last of the breed, proud to have served with him. P. Mullendore, CWO3, USN, (Ret)

Paul Mullendore - July 25, 2018 at 07:14 PM