



William White Combow,

May 2, 2012

William "Bill" White Combow, VI, age 87, passed away on May 2, 2012 at Hartsville Convalescent Home in Hartsville TN. Mr. Combow was a long time resident of Belfast, VA. He was a retired Engineer, World War II Veteran and POW. He was awarded the Purple Heart and several other distinguished citations. He is preceded in death by his father William Combow, mother Claire Graham White Combow, one brother A.G. Combow, all from the Belfast community and one sister Alma Geraldine (Marvin) Tabor of Bristol, VA and the children's mother. Mr. Combow is survived by 7 children: Patricia (Larry) McReynolds of Bluefield WV, Beverly (Russell) Ansley of Port St. Lucie FL, Debbie (John) Woodroof of Lebanon TN, William White (Norma) Combow VII of White House TN, Edward Combow of Nashville TN, Joseph (Cheri) Combow of High Point NC, and Shawn Combow of Roanoke VA; 9 grandchildren: Chris McReynolds, Stephanie (Chris) Harman, Levi (Amber) Woodroof, Emiley (Brian) Friel, Matthew (Nicole) Tate, Paulina Combow, Portia Combow, Colton Combow, and Cameron Combow; and 7 great-grandchildren. He was a long-time active member of the VFW in Lebanon, VA and Board member for the American Ex-POWs'. He was also an active member in the VA Administration and an active speaker for the Veterans in Congress. Mr. Combow retired at his childhood home of Belfast VA in 1980. He dedicated his retirement years to community service such as planning and building the new Lebanon High School and the Lebanon Public Library, both in Lebanon, VA. The family will be receiving friends at Sellars Funeral Home

in Lebanon TN from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, May 4, 2012. The body will then be moved to Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia where a visitation is from 5-9 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, May 7, 2012 at the Green Valley Baptist Church, Lebanon VA with the Pastor Rick Blevins officiating. Friends may call one hour prior to the service on Monday at the church. Entombment will follow in Russell Memorial Gardens Mausoleum in Lebanon, Virginia. Members of Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct Military Graveside Rites. Pallbearers will be: Colton Combow, Levi Woodroof, Don McLaughlin, Bobby Damron, Eddie Conrad, Wayne "K" Miller, and Billy Reese. Honorary Pallbearers: Azilee Carter, Buford Mitchell, dear friend Jo Cleek, and the staff at Hartsville Convalescent Home in Hartsville TN. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall



“ *William White Combow,*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *William White Combow,*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *I proud to know Sgt.Bill Cumbow jr that served in air corp in ww2. And was glad to know of his return from pow camp. I last spoke with him at his parent home place in 1996 with Joe B. Lowe. Robert*

Robert A Vencill - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *There is no way to lessen the sorrow of losing a loved one. Please be reminded that others care very much and hope you have strength and comfort at this sorrowful time. (Psalm 34:18; Psalm 55:22)*

M. Johnson - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ We all have lost a great friend and genuine leader known by many friends as Bill Combow. It always impressed me that Bill was not only interested in his family and friends of his own age, but was determined to help young kids that he didn't even know. The new Lebanon High School and the addition to the Russell County Library are monuments to Bill in this regard. One time that I know of, Bill made arrangements to take two van loads of high schoolers to Middlesboro, KY for them to learn first hand the history of the P-38 fighter than had been lost during WWII and restored. In a time when this great USA is in desperate need of leaders, the members of Bill's family can say "Here is ours'....and yours" and hold their heads high knowing one family has given so much by the name of Bill Combow.

Mickey and Coetta Hoge - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Mr. Combow was a great person and a good friend of my father Leslie Wilson of belfast community. He past away one year ago. He has been great for th commnuity. We are sorry for your loss of your beloved father, he will be missed by many other friends. May God bless you in everyway. You will be in our prayers.

Ralph Wilson - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ dear daddy,will miss you always.we're comforted, in knowing your with our loves ones,who've gone ahead -'till we all met up yonder'our love and prayers go with you.and to each and everyone. love you,beverly

Beverly C. Ansley - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ We were sorry to hear about Mr. Combow, we did not know anything about his death until after his granddaughter had left the bank. After 11 years of waiting on him, I will always remember him, and his stories that had happened in his life.

"Sister Curry"

SHIRLEY CURRY - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM