



## William B. "Sparkey" Sparks

April 2, 1929 - February 15, 2014

William B. Sparks, "Sparkey," age 84, of Buckhannon, died Saturday, February 15, 2014, at Colonial Place in Elkins, WV. He was born on April 2, 1929, in Ivanhoe, WV, a son of the late William E. Sparks and Pearl Snyder Sparks Tenney. On December 23, 1951, he was united in marriage to Phyllis L. Corbitt, who preceded him in death on November 1, 2009. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one brother Edward E. Sparks and wife Lavonne, one brother-in-law Glenn Bailey, and one son-in-law George J. Hamner, who died in the Sago Mine Disaster.

He is survived by one daughter Deborah Hamner and one son William B. (Bill) Sparks, II and wife Marion; two grandchildren: Sara Hamner and William B. (Will) Sparks, III, all of Buckhannon. Also surviving are three sisters: Mrs. Gleneva (Clarence) Clutter of Buckhannon, Mrs. Elnetta (Lester) Hamrick of Tennerton, and Mrs. Shirley Bailey of Hinkleville; and one half-brother Ronald L. Tenney and wife Jane of Hinkleville.

"Sparkey" was a local businessman for sixty years as owner/operator of the Corner Amoco, later known as Sparkey's Exxon, Sparkey's West End Grocery, and Sparkey's Wholesale Tire. He was a life member of the Moose Lodge 598 and served as a volunteer fireman for the Buckhannon Fire Department for 26 years.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served in the Korean War and was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the American Legion.

The family will receive friends at the Heavner and Cutright Funeral Chapel on

Wednesday, February 19, 2014, from 10-11:00 AM, the funeral hour, with the Rev. Wease Day officiating. Interment will follow in the Buckhannon Memorial Park, where the Upshur County Honor Guard will conduct military honors.

# Cemetery Details

## Buckhannon Memorial Park

505 Hall Road  
Buckhannon, WV 26201  
(304) 472-1651

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel and Cremation Services  
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## Funeral Service

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“ Please note that condolences shared prior to March 1, 2015, were placed on an older version of the website. These condolences are available at the funeral chapel upon the family’s request. Please call the funeral chapel and we will be glad to mail or e-mail those to you.

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