

Alfred P. DAY Jr.

WILLIAMSBURG – July 19, 2012, **Alfred Paul Day Jr**. was born in Mulberry, Kan., on Nov. 10, 1922, as the late Alfred Paul Day Sr. and Inez Burton Day's oldest child of seven. Alfred grew up during the depths of the Great Depression and migrated to California where he joined the <u>U.S. Navy</u> in 1939 at age 17. He was stationed at Pearl Harbor when the American

Seventh Fleet was attacked by the Japanese on Dec. 7, 1941. He survived the Battle of Tassafaronga while stationed aboard the USS Northampton (CA-26), when the heavy cruiser was hit by Japanese torpedoes on Nov. 30, 1942. He participated in numerous Navy projects to include the first successful underwater launch of a Polaris A1 SLBM (Sub Launched Ballistic Missile) on July 20, 1960. Early in Alfred's military career he was stationed in Boston, Mass., Theresa his bride 56 he met of vears, While serving in both World War II and the Korean War, Alfred's military career spanned nearly 26 years; he eventually retired as chief petty officer (CPO). Immediately following retirement, he accepted a position with Interstate Electronics Corporation, headquartered in Anaheim, Calif., (later purchased by L-3 Communications) and served for 25 years as their senior field service engineer, stationed at Groton, Conn., Portsmouth, Maine, and Newport News, Va.

He is survived by two brothers and their spouses, Delbert and Eddie Day, and Jerry and Barbara Day; one sister, Betty Day Sula; two sons and their spouses, Larry and Sybille Day (Yorktown) and Howard and Janice Day (Gloucester); two daughters and their spouses, Paula and David Nieto (Williamsburg) and Linda and David Maines (Charles City). Lastly, he leaves behind nine grandchildren and

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Hospice House and Support Care of Williamsburg, 4445 Powhatan Pkwy, Williamsburg, VA 23188,