

Wesley Elmore Vellines, Jr.

August 25, 1906 – November 7, 1991

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Wesley E. Vellines Jr.

The funeral for Wesley E. Vellines Jr., 85, of Virginia Beach will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Brandywine (W.Va.) Christian Church.

The Rev. Mike Myers will conduct the service. Burial will be in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Franklin, W.Va.

Mr. Vellines died Nov. 7, 1991, at the Virginia Beach General Hospital.

He was born Aug. 25, 1906, in Norfolk and was a son of the late Wesley E. Vellines Sr. and Florence Eleanor Towill Vellines.

He was a 1928 graduate of West Virginia University with a BSEE degree. That year he also won an academic award for the highest academic average ever held at the University. Before retiring in 1964, he was chief electrical engineer in Virginia for the C&P Telephone Co., where he worked since 1928.

He was a member of Tau Beta Phi of the Masonic Order of Free and Arch Masons. He was on the board of directors of the Rotunda Club in Richmond and chairman of the board of mental health. He was also a member of the City of Richmond Planning Commission, a member of the board of zoning appeals, a member of the Richmond Yacht Club and the Old Cavalier Beach and Cabana Club in Virginia Beach.

Mr. Vellines was founder and president of the Engineers Club in Richmond. He was a life member of the Bell Telephone Pioneers and a registered engineer, who directed the capital expansions for C&P Telephone Co.

After his retirement in the 1970s, he was director of the C&P Management Tracking Program. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Richmond.

His wife, Edna Kathryn Bowers Vellines of Franklin, died Jan. 8, 1979.

Surviving are three children, Wesley Elmore Vellines III of Williamsburg, John Bowers Vellines of Richmond and Joan Ashley of Virginia Beach and Franklin, W.Va.; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends 7-8 p.m. today at Basagic Funeral home in Franklin.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pendleton County Nursing Home or to the Brandywine or Franklin rescue squads.