



## Homer Eller

August 23, 1927 - April 30, 2022

PRINCETON - Homer A. Eller, 94, of Princeton, passed away Saturday, April 30, 2022 at Princeton Health Care Center surrounded by family and friends. He was born August 23, 1927 in Pine Swamp, Idlewild, North Carolina to the late Cora Elizabeth (Collins) and Walter Eller.

Homer worked for Deerfield mines for 23 years. In 1963 he went to work for the Postal Service, retiring some years later. He was known as a hard worker, willing to help anyone in need. Homer was a veteran of World War II having served in the Merchant Marines. He was a member of the Princeton Moose Club and a member of the Princeton Masonic Lodge #134. Homer enjoyed camping, traveling, listening to music, cornhole, playing cards and spending time with his family. He was of Christian Faith.

Homer is preceded in death by his parents and five sisters, Ruth Mabe, Hazel McMillan Martin, Johncie Wimmer and Betty "Booty" Hartless; five brothers, Thurman Eller, Claude Eller, Lloyd "Tud" Eller, Jack Eller and Wade Eller; and son-in-law David Walker.

Homer is survived by the love of his life Mildred Clark Eller. They celebrated 74 years of marriage on February 14, 2022. Also left to cherish his memory are daughters, Marquita Walker of Princeton, Juanita Swatts (Mike) of Bluefield and Bonita Hubbard (Lee) of Princeton; grandchildren, Kimberly Johnson (Kenneth), David Walker, Jr., Shanna Autrey (Chuck), Tonya "Missy" Gerber (Vince), Shane Swatts (Leah), Jason Taylor (Jennifer); 14 great grandchildren; and 8 great, great grandchildren; and special friends Janie and Jim Wiblin.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, May 5, 2022 at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with Pastor Ronald Booher officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton where military honors will be conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. Grandsons and family will serve as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. To view a video tribute to Mr. Eller, or share condolences with the family, please visit [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Memorial Gardens

450 Courthouse Road  
Princeton, WV 24740

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 4.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home, Inc.  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
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## Funeral Service

**MAY 5.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Homer Eller*



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**Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home** - May 04 at 06:06 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Homer A. Eller, give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.*

*I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Merchant Marine Veteran, Homer A. Eller, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.  
John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - May 08 at 05:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Homer Eller.*



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May 03 at 06:18 PM



“ *Berniadean: Bonita my heart goes out to you during your time of sorrow. Prayers are with you.*

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**Berniadean** - May 03 at 05:36 PM

JW

“Mr. E” was definitely one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known. He sincerely had a heart of gold. He often bragged that he had “Good Girls” when I commented that they really took great care of him. I will always remember the many hours of playing cards with them. Especially, the comment of “That’s a Freebie!” (...when the previous player laid a card down he desired) I remember, one particular day, I stopped by to play a few games of checkers with him. He would win a game and I would win a game. On one game, he was Black and I was Red. About mid-way through, he counted the remaining checkers and saw that Red had the edge. He quipped, “I am RED, right?” I looked up at him and he had the biggest smile on his face. I had the privilege of spending several hours with him on Friday and Saturday. We gardened a little bit on Friday, planning to plant potatoes about the middle of May. I prayed that our Loving Lord would Comfort this Great Man with comfort and peace. I leaned down to him and said, “Mr. E, I have Heaven in my heart. Do you have Heaven in your heart?” He quickly nodded his head in an affirmative direction... And, oh, that smile I was telling you about... I had never seen it so wide and beautiful! “Mr. E,” Goodnight and I will see you in the morning...

Janie Wiblin - May 03 at 01:04 PM

DS

“Marquita, I am sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.



Donna (Mills) Stenlund - May 03 at 11:05 AM



“Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Homer Eller.



May 03 at 10:55 AM

MB

“So sorry for your loss. Your parents raised children who grew up and made positive contributions - made the world a better place. You did well caring for them as age took it's toll. It has been many years since we rode that big yellow school bus together. It is always good to see you. Again, so sorry for your loss.

Marietta Akers Buckner - May 03 at 09:29 AM

CF

“ Carol Botonis and family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Homer Eller.



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**Carol Botonis and family** - May 03 at 02:47 AM

LB

“ To me, my uncle was an angel without wings because both Homer and Midge took care of my Granny and had her living with them for many years. I know he was stubborn and was always “ I can do it myself” kind of guy even as he began to age. Midge became ill and he was there for her so the last years has been difficult for both of them. I love him and am broken hearted but I know he will finally get his much deserved wings. Condolences and prayers for the entire family and may the happy memories sustain you all during this trying time.

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**Lola Botonis** - May 03 at 02:31 AM

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“ Wilma Odell sent a virtual gift in memory of Homer Eller



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**wilma odell** - May 02 at 09:20 PM