James 'Jimmy' Henry Bowles, Sr.

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James Henry Bowles, Sr. (Jimmy) 83 of Leonardtown, MD passed away on November 2, 2019 at his home with his loving family by his side. He was born on June 17, 1936 in Abell, MD. He was the loving son of the late Susan Alberta Ellis Bowles and John Ignatius Bowles, Sr.

Jimmy was the loving husband of Margaret L. Vallandingham Bowles "Peggy", whom he married on April 19, 1958 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church Bushwood, MD.

Jimmy is survived by his children James "Jay" H. Bowles, Jr. (Marlene) of Leonardtown, MD, Mary Susan "Sue" Abell (Francis) of Leonardtown, MD, grandchildren Brittanie Hickey (Tommy), Lauren Abell and 1 great grandchild on the way. Siblings Jean Russell, Freddie Bowles (Kitty), Sue Huber (Arnold), Tony Bowles (Pat), Mary Ellen Barone, Catherine Hill, Denise Lundberg (Paul), Randy Bowles (Karen), Brenda Long (TV), Lucy Elkins (Evan), Jerry Bowles (Punkin), Donnie Bowles (Ellen) and sister in law Mary Edna Bowles. He was preceded in death by his infant son James Thomas Bowles, siblings Anna Mae Bowles, ‘Brother’ John I. Bowles, Jr, and Sharon Ann Bowles.

He was a lifelong St. Mary's County, MD resident and graduate of Margaret Brent. Jimmy was a Powered support systems mechanic with AIMD at Patuxent River Naval Air Station for 31 and half years, retiring on March 3, 2003. He was an Usher at Our Lady’s Catholic Church. He enjoyed gardening, cutting grass, and working on anything with a motor. He was an avid NASCAR, Washington National Nat’s and New York Yankee fan. Jimmy loved spending time with friends and family.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM with prayers recited at 7:00 PM in the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home Leonardtown, MD. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 12 Noon in St. Aloysius Catholic Church Leonardtown, MD with Father Bob Kosty officiating. Interment will follow in Charles Memorial Gardens Leonardtown, MD.

Serving as pallbearers will be Randy Guy, Bert Vallandingham, CJ Bragg, Bobby Bogie, Billy Norris, and Dicky Russell. Honorary pallbearers will be Freddie Bowles, Jr, (Little Freddie), Alan Bowles, Randy Bowles (Little Randy), Wayne Bowles, Chris Long, Johnny Bowles, Tony Bowles (Baby Tony), Tommy Bowles, Jason Bowles, Timmy Abell, Terry Russell, Willie Russell, Robbie Hill, David Lundberg, and Larry Vallandingham.

Contributions may be made to the Leonardtown Vol. Rescue Squad P.O. Box 299 Leonardtown, MD 20650, ACTS (A Community That Shares) P.O. Box 54 Bushwood, MD 20618, and Hospice of St. Mary’s P.O. Box 625 Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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