



## Virgil Ellis

February 12, 2011

Virgil Edward Ellis, Sr., 85, passed away Saturday, February 12, 2011 at his home. He was born August 29, 1925. He was a native of Hot Springs, Arkansas and lived in California 1941- 1966.

He was predeceased by wife, Virginia Elizabeth Ellis and wife, Frieda Ellis. Survivors include three children; Robert Lee Ellis of Sacramento, California, Virgil Edward (Becky) Ellis Jr., of Conway, Arkansas and Diana Louise Ellis, of Portland, Oregon; five grandchildren, George Vassaur, Cheryl Rask, Virgil E. Ellis III, Christy King, Katie Scott; eight great grandchildren; Mary Morgan Ellis, William Vassaur, Isak Rask, Bennett Ellis, Haydon King, Cooper Ellis, Katie Grace King and William King.

He worked as a pipefitter and is a 50 year member of locals 454, Bakersfield, California and 155 Hot Springs, Arkansas. He is a past president of the Arkansas Local.

He served five years in the United States Marine Corp – 1941-1946. Three years served in the South Pacific WWII. He was stationed on Midway Island when WWII Began.

He is past Commander of VFW Post 9701, Bakersfield, California. He served as Commander DAV Chapter 5 in Hot Springs and he served as district Commander VFW- State of Arkansas

He was a life member of VFW Post 2278, Hot Springs and served as Quartermaster for 18 years.

He was a member of the VFW Honor guard since 1990 performing over 2000 military funerals.

He was a 50 year member of Scimitar Shine Lodge #62, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Services will be held at 10:00 A.M. Wednesday at Hot Springs Funeral Home Chapel.

Visitation 6:00 – 8:00 P.M. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Burial at Crestview Cemetery with full Military Honors by VFW Post 2278.

Pallbearers will be member of VFW Honor Guard team, Tom

Harwood(longtime friend), George Vassaur (grandson currently serving in the United States Coast Guard), Virgil Ellis III (grandson), Mitch King and Ralph Scott III.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to VFW Home for Children, 3573 S. Waverly Road, Eaton Rapid, Michigan 48827 OR Christway Unity Church, 300 Oaklawn, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71913

Semper Fi (Always Faithful)

# Tribute Wall

RH

“ *Ed, I am sorry to hear of the death of your father. According to his obituary he obviously led a strong and full life He was a man to be admired and will certainly be missed.* Robert Haydon

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**Robert Haydon** - February 15, 2011 at 07:49 PM

AE

“ *Ed, Becky and family, We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are all in our prayers. We look forward with you to that reunion with you dad in the clouds when we meet our returning Lord in the air. In Christ, Ann and Ed*

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**Ann and Ed Eason** - February 15, 2011 at 02:37 PM

JH

“ *You have our sincere condolences on the loss of your father. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow and the days ahead. Remember to let the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. Officers, Members, and Staff Plumbers and Pipefitters Local Union 155*

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**Jeni Hughes** - February 15, 2011 at 02:24 PM

LI

“ *Ed, Becky & family — love you all and lifting you up in prayer.*

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**Linda Ives** - February 15, 2011 at 01:45 PM

DA

“ Ed, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God surround you and yours with grace and mercy. Best regards, Doris Atkins

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**Doris Atkins** - February 15, 2011 at 01:31 PM

BR

“ please except my condolences, he was a good friend Semper Fi  
Betty Rapley

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**Betty Rapley** - February 15, 2011 at 11:34 AM

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“ Rest in sweet peace dear cousin. God bless all of you. Barb  
Withrow Rogan( Grace and Ernest's daughter)

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**Barb Withrow Rogan** - February 14, 2011 at 04:12 PM

JS

“ Ed, Please accept our heartfelt condolences and prayers for you and the family. Though I served in the US Navy and not the Marine Corps, I also wish fair winds and following seas to your father on his last journey. We all should be thankful for his service to our country. Jeff

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**Jeff & Mary Seiter** - February 14, 2011 at 10:11 AM

EK

“ My heart goes out to you and yours Ed. I am all too familiar with your sorrow. Please let me know if there is anything I can do. Emma

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**Emma Knotts** - February 14, 2011 at 10:09 AM