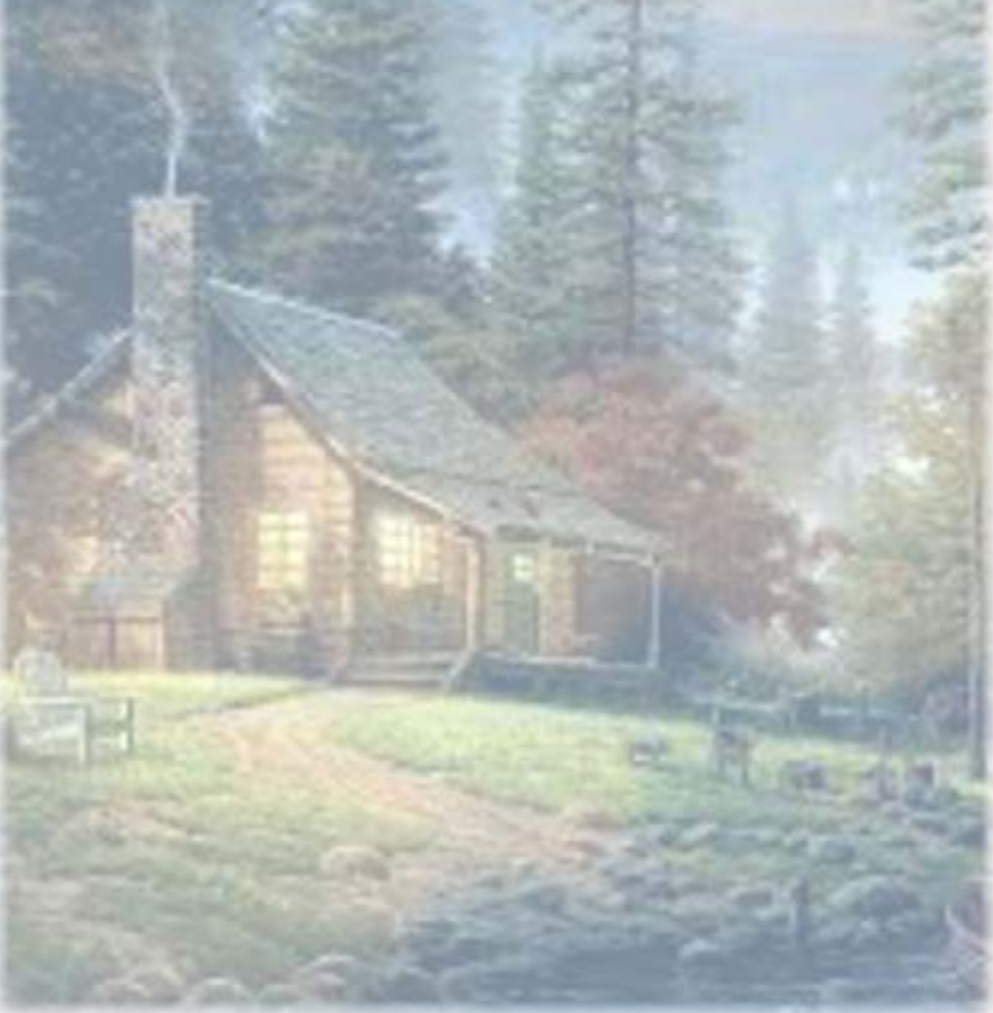


Charles William "Pop Pops" Ekis, Sr., 81 of St. Leonard, MD and formerly of Sheridan, WY passed away on March 17, 2022 at Calvert Health Medical Center. Born August 16, 1940 in Sheridan, WY, he was the son of the late Elgin M. Ekis and Roberta Ave (Gunnels) Ekis.

Charles received his GED in 1960 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served in the Navy from March 31, 1960 until March 30, 1966. During his enlistment, Charles served in San Diego, CA and aboard the USS Outagamie County (LST-1073). He worked for the Wyoming Saw Mill and was a maintenance custodian for Best Western Sheridan Center, retiring in August 2002. Charles moved to Calvert County from Sheridan, WY in 2007. He enjoyed collectibles, bird watching and antiques.

Charles is survived by his children Charles W. Ekis, Jr. (Melissa) of Clinton, SC, Jay Ekis (Michele) of St. Leonard, MD and Erin Steigelman (Mike) of Sheridan, WY; nine grandchildren; and brother, James "Ronnie" Ekis (Jolene) of Sheridan, WY. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Ralph Ekis, Elizabeth Parsons, Lorretta Norwash, Leroy Ekis and Robert "Bobby" Ekis.



## *In Loving Memory Of Charles Ekis*



*August 16, 1940 - March 17, 2022*



## Miss Me, But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road,  
And the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little – but not for long.  
And not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love that once we shared.  
Miss me, but let me go.  
For this is a journey we must all take,  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the master plan,  
A step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know,  
Laugh at all the things we used to do.  
Miss me, but let me go.



*In Loving Memory Of*

*Charles William Ekis Sr.*

### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

Monday, May 23, 2022 at 11:00 am  
Sheridan Municipal Cemetery with  
Military Honors

### **OFFICIATING**

Pastor Scott Lee

### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Sons: Charles Ekis Jr. & Jay Ekis  
Brothers: Ralph, Bobby, Leroy & Ronnie Ekis

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