



Dean S. Flemming

June 23, 2015 - September 16, 2015

Stratham – Dean S. Flemming, 95, formerly of Stratham, died Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at The Pines in Newmarket.

He was born June 23, 1920 in Millville, New Brunswick, Canada a son of the late George S. and Gladys P. (Dunlop) Flemming.

He graduated from Skowhegan, Maine High School with the Class of 1938.

A veteran of WW II, he piloted a Boeing B-17 “Flying Fortress” with the 709th Bomb Squadron, 447th Bombardment Group (Heavy) of the US Army Air Forces. 1st Lt. Flemming flew 30 combat missions from Rattlesden Air Base in England to various targets over France, Belgium, and Germany. After being hit by enemy fire on two separate occasions, he successfully ditched his aircraft without losing a crew member. 1st Lt. Flemming was twice awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and was the recipient of five Air Medals.

After his discharge from the military, he started a long career with the US Postal Service. He began as a letter carrier in Skowhegan, Maine, and was promoted to Postal Inspector, Field Service Officer and Postal Service Officer in Albany and Glens Falls, NY. He then became the District Manager of the Empire District in Rochester, New York. He retired from the office of the District Manager of the Capital District in Washington, DC. in 1978 with 36

years of service including his four years in the Army Air Forces. He participated in several schools of management development, including in London, England, at Oklahoma University, the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, and Harvard University.

He was the husband of the late Dorothy E. (Hosmer) Flemming who predeceased him in 2009.

Family members include three sons, Rev. Dean S. Flemming, II, and his wife Marikay of Fulton, NY, Dale E. Flemming and his wife Judy of North Hampton, New Hampshire, Rev. Dana L. Flemming and his wife Martha of Willoughby, Ohio, his daughter, Diane Ramsdell of Meredith, New Hampshire, 15 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

He was also predeceased by his brother Neil U. Flemming killed in action in Germany in April of 1945, and his two sisters, Beatrice "Pearl" Seamans and Jean Carrigan.

Mr. Flemming held a deep faith, having been raised in the Church of the Nazarene during his childhood, and continued to worship with his family as a member of the United Methodist Church.

Visiting hours will be from 2-4 P.M. Monday, September 21, 2015 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will immediately follow in the funeral home at 4 P.M.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to honor Mr. Flemming's service to his country by providing donations to the Collings Foundation, 137 Barton Road, PO Box 248, Stow, MA 01775 in their work of maintaining World War II aircraft, including a B-17.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

SEP 21. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dean S. Flemming*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *A real hero, truly a member of the “greatest generation.” My respect for Dean and the many like him who flew (or drove or marched or parachuted or crawled) into the gates of hell in WWII is tremendous. To face the poor odds of survival in his missions flying over Germany took immense courage, and he should be remembered as the hero he was. His continuing service to our country through the U.S. Postal Service further shows his dedication to and respect for the United States.*

On two occasions he and Dot opened their home and their hearts to my wife and I, and we totally enjoyed their company and just sitting and chatting with them. Dean’s life during and after the war was remarkable. It was my immense pleasure and honor to have known him.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

John and Judy Howard

John Howard - September 23, 2015 at 08:29 PM

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“ Dean and Dorothy were always the BEST of neighbors. Respectful of us and our property and our privacy, but willing to help without even asking.

I had a kindred spirit with Dean in that we both burned wood for heat. Dean had a log splitter which, until I built my own, Dean was willing to share. The splitter came with a warning, however, to watch for one's hands and personal safety while in use.

Dean was quick to relay his story of he and one of his sons involved with the routine of splitting. Son ran the ram and Dean was clearing out the split pieces. A miscommunication occurred and the ram came down on Deans finger requiring a trip to the emergency room and a subsequent recuperation with Dean all trussed up in a splint and white bandages.

"Most expensive cord of wood I ever split" he said.

Said like the true Yankee he was.

*Condolances to the family,
Joe & Marny Keith*

Joe Keith - September 19, 2015 at 01:09 PM