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Forrest R. Dishman

Forrest Rogers Dishman, 75, of Bowling Green died Saturday, Jan. 8, 2005, at Henrico Doctors' Hospital. Born in Essex County, he grew up on Haymount Farm in Caroline and was educated in the Caroline school system, graduating in 1945.

He was the widower of Catherine A. "Cackie" Dishman, his wife of 47 years. He retired in 1984 from the public works department of the city of Alexandria, after 38 years of service. He was preceded in death by his parents, Allie Garnett and Elton Jett Fields Dishman; six brothers, Melvin, Norman, Floyd, Robert, Leslie and Hampton; and two sisters, Mary E. Eubank and Florence E. Talbert.

He is survived by two daughters, Sharee Lynne Skinner and her husband, Wesley, of Caroline, and Tamra Lynn Wheeler and her husband, Marty, of Louisa; three sons, William Forrest Dishman and his wife, Karen, of Gainesville, Fla., Bryan Keith Spurley and his wife, Wanda, of Caroline, and Donald Kevin Spurley of Caroline; and four grandchildren, James Michael Wheeler, Timothy James Spurley, and Whitley Allen and Melanee Kathryn Skinner.

He was a veteran of the Korean War and served in the 61st Engineer Searchlight Co., 8th Army 1st Corps, attaining the rank of staff sergeant.

He had a lifelong passion for genealogy and was proud of his roots and family heritage. He was a resource for others in the community who shared this interest.

A funeral will be held Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 11 a.m. at Storke Funeral Home, Bowling Green, with the Rev. Randy Newsome officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in Greenlawn Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Baptist Church Building Fund; Round Oak Baptist Church Building Fund; or to the American Cancer Society. Sign register book online at storkefuneralhome .com.

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