

# Virginia Elks Association News

February 8, 2012

## Pulaski 1067 PER Claude Edward Turner, Jr. Passes away 2-3-2012



Claude Edward Turner Jr., 73, of Galax, passed away Friday, February 3, 2012 at Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem, N.C. Born in Scott County Virginia on June 17, 1938, he was the son of the late Jeanella McCormick Turner and Claude Edward Turner Sr. of Gate City. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Irene Noell Turner; one daughter, Noelle Turner Cockrell and her husband, Randy Cockrell of Acworth, GA,; and one son, Edward Randolph Turner and his wife, Barbara Ann Turner. He is also survived by his sister, Virginia Turner Wooten, of Kingsport, TN. He graduated from Roanoke College after serving in the Army during the Berlin Conflict in artillery as a Fire Direction Officer with the rank of Sergeant. He began his career with W.H. Kress and spent the majority of his career in the furniture industry. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Galax and **was a long standing member and Past Exalted Ruled of the Elks Lodge in Pulaski**. Funeral services were held Monday, February 6, 2012 at First United Methodist, Galax. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

Submitted by Jim Chitwood, ER, and Gary L Cox