

# September 2019 District 22B Newsletter

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## **Dollars for Dorian**

Kent Eitemiller, Past District Governor

The Bahamas are flattened, the Carolinas are flooded and getting hit by tornadoes and Hurricane Dorian is going to batter the East Coast of the US for another 24 hours. Also, The wildfires are starting on the West Coast in California. Now is the time for all Lions to help LCIF provide disaster relief. I'm declaring the month of September the "MD22 Dollars for Dorian Relief Challenge". A \$100.00 donation from each Lion or the equivalent of \$100.00 per member from each club would equal \$64,880.00 for disaster relief. I am challenging each club/Lion to make this happen. I have been told that I am a little crazy and it cannot be done. PROVE THE NAYSAYERS WRONG. Make your donation today. If you have any questions contact your District Coordinator or Kent Eitemiller MD-22 LCIF Coordinator @

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# DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

## EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF SERVICE

DG John Lawrence

So far, I have been to three official visitations. Thank you, Salisbury Metro, Salisbury, and Fruitland Lions Clubs for a most enjoyable evening. Visitations are probably the best part of being a district governor – being able to learn what each club is doing for service in their communities and discovering the distinct uniqueness of each club.

Perhaps more importantly, I have enjoyed attending several club functions recently. The car shows of the Sudlersville and the Chesapeake City Clubs were very well attended and fun. The Deal Island – Chance Skipjack weekend was great, as always. These events are not only good fund-raisers, but also provide service to the communities with entertainment, bringing visitors and their money to their area, and, with the skipjacks, celebrating their heritage.

Another event, partially sponsored by the Salisbury PRIDE Lions Club, was the book bag give away where about 3,000 bags, filled with school supplies, were given to needy students. At the event, Salisbury Metro and Salisbury Heritage Lions Clubs, along with myself, manned a table with Lions literature and vision screening equipment. I screened one boy about 10 years old who failed the test. The mother said, "His vision is OK." But when asked, he said he could not see the blackboard very well. Imagine going into the 4th grade and not being able to see what the teacher was presenting. Hopefully by now, he is well into the new school year with new glasses. What an impact a little of our time had on this child. This is what I mean by "Experience the Joy of Service"!

I would now like to speak about a matter of common curtesy. Recently, one of our Lions clubs went to an event in their town to ask for a table to sell raffle tickets. The response they got was that the Lions were already selling raffle tickets at the event, and they were turned down. It turned out that another club, from another town, was already there. We are all looking for ways and places to perform service and raise money for our programs. If you are going into an area where there are other Lions Clubs, it is only common curtesy to coordinate with that club what you are doing. By working together in the spirit of Lionism, we can all succeed in serving our communities, our district, and indeed our world. Remember, we are all a part of the greater Lions family.

On a final note, there are some events coming up that I hope you will attend. Aim for Sight Sporting Clay Shoot for LVRF will be at Schrader's in Henderson, MD on 12 October. Let PDG Dal Mann know if you are coming. You will have a blast! (Pun intended!) On 19 October and 1 November, we will be having our annual LVRF Dinners with speakers and patients from Wilmer. Come see the results of our efforts helping the Lions Low Vision Center there.

Don't forget to let the newsletter, <a href="melaniedonophan@yahoo.com">melaniedonophan@yahoo.com</a>, and the web master, <a href="melaniedonophan@yahoo.com">daleloft@zoominternet.net</a>, know about you club activities. We can all help each other, and have a great time doing it. There is no telling who might show up!

**DG John Lawrence** 



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www.e-district.org/sites/22B

#### Dear Lions Club Officer,

As the first quarter of this Lions year comes to an end, you are in a unique position to empower your Lions club and guide it to success during your term.

Lions Clubs International has created webpages and helpful resources for each of your club's officers. Every webpage provides material and resources as well as e-Books to assist you as you serve in your role.

Take a minute to visit your designated webpage and familiarize yourself with its content so you are able to best serve your club.

#### • Club President/Club First Vice President

You will find information regarding critical club operations and resources for effectively leading your club.

#### Club Secretary

You will find information to support the business operations of the club.

#### Club Treasurer

You will find information to assist in helping you manage all financial operations of the club.

Some key resources offered by Lions Clubs International are:

- 1. Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws
- 2. Standard Club Structure
- 3. Club Resources
- 4. MyLCI
- 5. Best Practice for Financial Transparency
- 6. LCI Store

We look forward to supporting you. Please contact us if you have any questions at (630) 468-6890 or **clubofficers@lionsclubs.org**.

Thank you for your service!

Sincerely,

Your District and Club Administration Support Team



Making Memories That Last A Lifetime!

A Night At The Races Support LCM October 18

#### LIONS CAMP METFICK'S



APPETIZERS, MUSIC, LIVE AUCTION, HORSE RACING, BEER & WINE INCLUDED, FIFTY FIFTY RAFFLE, GAMBLING, DESSERT AUCTION, HAT CONTEST, AND MORE



Friday, October 18, 2019 6:30PM at Waldorf Jaycee Hall 3090 Crain Hwy, Waldorf, MD

#### Things Get Solved If You Get Involved!

Every Tuesday Two special Lions Show up to help Kenny with the many projects that just can't be done with one person. Charlie Tennyson and Clyde Tennyson Give to LCM and our campers in so many ways. They have helped with projects that improve camp and the latest



project by Clyde is cabin signage. He has taken time to rotor and paint signs with building names to help identify them easily. They look amazing! These two volunteers have

#### Reminders & Updates

#### LCM Fund Raiser – A Night At The Races

Friday, October 18, 2019 at the Waldorf Jaycee Hall. Join us for a night of FUN, Games & Friendship

#### Camp Board Meeting – Sept 24th

At Babes Tavern in Waldorf on route 925, 2890 Old Washington Road. All Lions are welcome to attend!

# Camp Advisory Meeting – Oct 22 at The Lion's Den in Babes Tayern.

Meeting are held quarterly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in April, July, Oct and January at 7:00 PM all Club appointed LCM representatives are welcome and encouraged to attend!

#### Let Lions Camp Merrick Be Your Guest!

We have Board members, camp staff and campers who would love to come speak at your Club meeting to answer questions and share our love of camp.



Shopping Amazon and donating to Lions Camp Merrick at the same time is easy, just go to Amazon by typing in the following: smile.amazon.com/ch/52-1289731 and LCM will receive credit for your purchase.

Office Phone: 301-870-5858 / Email: info@lionscampmerrick.org



## Lions Camp Merrick

Making Memories That Last A Lifetime!

#### You Are Making A Change In A Child's Life

Nearly 300 campers had the opportunity to experience LCM this summer leaving more confident, empowered and happy. LCM receives support year-round from many lions clubs, individuals and organizations, listed are recent donations. With your help thru scholarships LCM was able to assure every camper who registered had the opportunity to attend regardless of financial constraints their family may have. With your help in giving a general donation we were able to make sure program supplies; medical supplies and the facility are safe and ready for our campers.

#### **Donations During June & July**

Angel Fund Scholarships Baltimore Moos Calvert Lions Club Chesapeake City Lions Club Dalton Mann Ellicot City Lions Club **Emmitsburg Lions Club** Evening with Marlene Grantsvile Lions Club Kappa Guild Ladies of Charity LaPlata Lions club Laytonsville Lions Club Leonardtown Lions Club Lion Bijov Mahanti Lions District 22W Lynda Varda Midtown Washington Lions Club Mt Rainier Brentwood Lions Club Rock Hall Lions Club Rockville Lions Club Salisbury Wicomico Lions Club Sandy Springs Lions Club Silver Spring Lion Club South Gate Clinton Lions Club





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# LIONS VISION RESEARCH FOUNDATION-LYRF

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# WAGON OF WONDERS

Replacement for Trunk of Treasures





LVRF

#### WONDERS

The wagon - As shown,

Family heirloom afghan hand made by PDG Susan Timmons Several Bottles of Booze, Beer, Wine, etc.

Several Boxes of the finest chocolates

**Gourmet Spreads and Crackers** 

Many other items

Drawing - October 12, 2019 LVRF Aim for Sight - Schrader's Outdoors Tickets \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00

> Checks Payable to: LVRF Aim for Sight Mail to: PDG Dal Mann, 22944 Lyn Oaks Drive Preston, MD 21655



#### Rising Sun Lions Club

#### "Avenge Hunger"

The Rising Sun Lions club is joining in with Armstrong Telephone Company with their second annual "Avenge Hunger" food drive in an effort to make food available to needy people. The benefits will go to the Ray of Hope Mission for distribution to those in need of help. We are asking our members to bring nonperishable items to our meetings in September in support of this campaign for a worthy community cause. This food drive will go along with our food bags that we supply to needy children at our local elementary school each week during the school year in keeping with our motto, "We Serve".

**Breaking Bread** 

Avenge Hunger Month

AUGUST 27 -SEPTEMBER 23



KL Bud McFadden-Rising Sun Lions

#### MD 2-B LVRF DINNER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019 6:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR 7:00PM DINNER AND PROGRAM

Please plan to attend the MD 22-B LVRF dinner on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at the Hebron VFD in beautiful downtown Hebron, MD.

There will be a social hour starting at 6:00 pm with dinner and program starting at 7:00 pm. Cost will be \$20 per person.

PROGRAM will include a presentation by a staff member at the Lion's vision Research Foundation as well as a testimonial from a patient who has benefitted from the services at LVRF at Wilmer/Johns Hopkins, made possible by the generosity of Lions.

Please bring your club's LVRF donation to be presented. In order to qualify for various grants and other outside funding, LVRF must have 100% participation of all the clubs in the Multiple District. NO DOANTION IS TOO SMALL! Don't let the other districts show us up! Let's make MD-22 number 1.

Even if your club is not prepared to give a donation at this time, please come and hear about the wonderful work the doctors, researchers, and staff are doing at OUR Low Vision Center.

Please RSVP by Saturday, October 5, 2019 to Lion Kevin Darcey, <u>kevindarcey@icloud.com</u>, 410/430-8104, or mail to 410 Dogwood Drive, Salisbury, MD 21801.

Thank you for your support, Kevin Darcey, LVRF Trustee



### Lions Vision Research Foundation Aim for Sight Sporting Clay Shoot







Schrader's Outdoors, 16090 Oakland Rd, Henderson, MD Saturday, October 12, 2019

#### **REGISTRATION - \$75 per Shooter or \$280 per Team**

Shooters Name	Phone	Team Name	Amount
1			
2			
3			
4			
Total			

Fifty targets - 2 boxes (50) shells provided Lunch Provided 11:30am to 1:00pm

Lewis Class Scoring - everyone has a chance to win a prize Individual, Ladies, Youth and Team Prizes Awarded

Registration 8:30am to 11:30am (Scorecards in by 12:30pm)

Bring Your Gun if You Have One – If Not Gun Provided (Schrader's assurance)

Register as a Team - Lions Wear Your Lions Apparel

Make checks payable to: "LVRF Aim for Sight"
Send to: Lion Dal Mann, 22944 Lyn Oaks Drive, Preston, MD 21655

For Information Contact: PDG Dal Mann 410-673-9085 dmanning

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#### Lions Vision Research Foundation Aim for Sight Sporting Clay Shoot

Saturday, October 12, 2019



Schrader's Outdoors, 16090 Oakland Rd, Henderson, MD 21640

Aim for Sight is a fundraiser for the Lions Vision Research Foundation (LVRF), a 501(c) 3 foundation whose primary purpose is to support low vision research and rehabilitation and to minimize the disabilities caused by low vision and blindness. The objectives of the LVRF are being met through its partnership with the Lions Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center (LVC), at the Wilmer Eye Institute of Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, Maryland.

All donations to LVRF are tax deductible but more important are the research and rehabilitation efforts this donation will support in giving hope to the blind and low vision population. For the past few years we have funded a Post-Doctorate Fellowship. These Fellows have not only conducted significant research which could have national implications but have reduced the waiting time for an appointment to the LVC to a few days or less. Due to our efforts many new clinics have been established throughout the state and the country.

Your donation will allow us to continue this outstanding effort.

Donations qualify for LVRF Awards (Pyramids or Arnall Patz Fellows) and accumulate over five years.



Please complete and return to Lion Dal Mann, PDG 22944 Lyn Oaks Drive Preston, MD 21655

Due Date: October 5, 2019



Type Sponsor	Donation	Payment
Platinum Sponsor	\$1,000	
Gold Sponsor	\$500	
Silver Sponsor	\$250	
Station Sponsor	\$100	
Program Book Ad:		
Full Page	\$100	
Half Page	\$60	
Quarter Page	\$40	
TOTAL DONATION		

With your payment please include the message to put on your station signs or the art work that you wish included in the program book message. See example next page.

Full Page 7.5" x 4.5" Half Page 3.75" x 4.5" Quarter Page 3.75" x 2.25"

Sponsors Message: Please attach Artwork for Program Book Ad. Sample next page.					
Make checks payable to: "LVRF Aim for Sight"					
For Information	on Contact:				
	Lion Dal Mann,	410-673-9085	dmanninmd@gmail.com		
	Lion John Lawrence,	410-725-0150	Lions@johnlawrence.name		
	Lion Richard Liebno	410-848-4929	richard.lion@comcast.net		





## Salisbury Heritage Lions Club Cash/Purse Bingo



# Thursday / October 24, 2019 Salisbury Moose Lodge 833 Snow Hill Road

Tickets \$20 -- \$25 at Door Doors Open at 5:00 pm Games start at 6:30 pm



Refreshments and Drinks Homemade Bake Sale Items









50/50 ~ Chinese Auction ~ Pull Tabs Door Prizes ~ \$500 Gift Card Raffle ~ Special Game

Will Call Available Call For Tickets - 410-726-7109 or 410-572-2888 (Dr. Steele)



# DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISITATIONS 2019-2020

CLUB	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
Salisbury Metro Lions	Tues. Sept. 3 <sup>rd</sup> @1:00pm	Adam's Grille
Salisbury Lions	Wed. Sept. 4 <sup>th</sup> @ 6 : I 5pm	Elks Lodge
Fruitland Lions	Thurs. Sept. I 2th @ 6:59pm	St. Johns UM Church
Sudlersville Lions	Mon. Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup> @ 6:59pm	Calvary Asbury UM Church
Greensboro Lions	Tues. Sept. 17th @ 6:30pm	Wheatley Hall
Salisbury Heritage	Mon. Sept. 23 <sup>rd</sup> 6:30pm	Salisbury Deaf & Independent Facility
Queenstown Lions/Kent Island/Centreville Lions	Wed. Sept. 25 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm	Bay Country Moose
Allen Lions Club	Thurs. September 26 <sup>th</sup> @6:00 Social, Dinner @ 7:00pm	Wicomico Yacht Club
Hurlock Lions	Tues. Oct. 1 <sup>st</sup> @ 6:30pm	Hurlock American Legion Post 243
Marion/Crisfield Lioness/Crisfield Lions	Wed. Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup> @TBA	ТВА
Marydel Lions	Tues. October 8th @6:30pm	Marydel Community Hall
Cecilton Lions	Wed. Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> @6:00 Social Dinner @7:00pm	The Granary Restaurant
Chesapeake City Lions/North East Lions	Thurs. October 10 <sup>th</sup> @6:59pm	Chesapeake City VFW Post 7687
Perryville Lions/ New Member Induction	Mon. October 14 <sup>th</sup> @6:44pm	Subworks Pizzeria
Easton Lions	Tues. October 15 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Easton VFW Post #5118
Rising Sun/ Conowingo Lions	Thurs. Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Banquet Hall- Rising Sun Fire House
Rock Hall	Mon. Oct. 21st @6:30pm	Baywolf Restaurant
Chestertown Lions	Wed. October 23 <sup>rd</sup> Social 5:30, Dinner 6:30pm	Chestertown River Yacht & Country Club
Federalsburg Lions	Thurs. October 24 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Federalsburg Lions Hall



CLUB	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
Denton Lions	Mon. Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup> @6:29pm	Denton's Lions Club House
Pocomoke Lions	Tues. Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	American Legion
Galena Lions Charter Night/ Betterton Still Pond	Wed. Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup> @6:59pm	The Fishwhistle at the Granary in Georgetown, MD
Ridgely Lions	Mon. Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm	Ridgely United Methodist Church
Cambridge Lions	Tues. Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Portside Seafood Restaurant
Millington Lions	Wed. Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> @6:29pm	Millington Fire House
Salisbury Pride Lions	Wed. December 4 <sup>th</sup> @6:15pm	The Spot
Berlin Lions	Thurs. December 5 <sup>th</sup> Social, 6:30pm, Dinner 7:15	Berlin Lions Den
Elkton Lions	Mon. Dec. 9 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Pat's Pizza
Trappe Lions	Wed. December 11th @6:30pm	TBA
Preston Lions	Thurs. December 12 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	Preston Lions Community Building
Deal Island -Chance/ Princess Anne Lions	Tues. January 7 <sup>th</sup> @6:30pm	The Farmhouse
Ocean City Lions	Wed. Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup> Social 6:00 Dinner 7:00pm	Ocean City Lions Den
Sharptown Lions	Thurs. Jan. 9 <sup>th</sup> @7:00pm	Asbury UMC Hall
Snow Hill Lions	Mon. Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm	Snow Hill Lions Community Center
Hebron Lions	Wed. Jan. 22 <sup>nd</sup> @7:00pm	Hebron Lions Community Building
Pittsville Lions/Willards Lions	Thurs. Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup> @6:15	Pittsville Lions Den





#### **October Is Vision Awareness Month!**

Ever since Helen Keller inspired Lions to champion the cause of blindness in 1925, we've served and advocated for the blind and visually impaired. Raise awareness of Lions fight against preventable blindness with these exciting items from the Lions Shop!

SHOP NOW



## **GREAT LIONS**



#### William Clayton "Bill" Bicknell

William "Bill" Clayton Bicknell, 88 of Parsonsburg, died Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

Born in Cuttingsville, Vermont on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1931, he was the son of the late Keith Clement Bicknell and Gertrude Mae Gilpin Bicknell.

Bill graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, Massachusetts, with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He was drafted into the U.S. Army and stationed at Army Chemical Center in Edgewood, Maryland, where he met his beloved wife of 56 years, Lee Hardester Bicknell. Bill pursued a professional career in insurance and real estate working in family businesses in both Vermont and Maryland.

Bill had an infectious spirit, loved people, and loved serving others. He was an active servant in the Salisbury community and was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church. Bill joined the Salisbury Lions Club in 1970 and found his life's passion in Lionism. He exemplified the Lions' motto "We Serve," living his life in service to others from an early age until the day he died. Bill served as Salisbury Lions Club President (1978-79) and was honored as a Melvin Jones Fellow – the Lions Club International Foundation's highest form of recognition for an individual's dedication to humanitarian service. He was elected and served as Lions Multiple District 22-B District Governor (2010-11). Bill truly understood that "The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away."

Bill is survived by his two daughters, Melissa Graham of Parsonsburg, and Molly Poore of Harvest, AL; Four grandchildren, Airman First Class William Graham of Minot, ND, Susan Graham of Parsonsburg, and Meredith and Raleigh Poore of Harvest, AL; Brothers, Norman Bicknell (Carole) and John Bicknell (Joyce) of Vermont, David Bicknell of Pennsylvania, Neil Bicknell (Judy) of Colorado; Brother-in-law Paul Dawson of Martha's Vineyard, MA and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Bill is pre-deceased by his wife, Lee Hardester Bicknell, and his brother, Roger Bicknell, of Vermont.

To honor Bill's passion for Lionism, the family wishes to continue his legacy of service, and requests that tax-deductible donations in his memory be made to the Salisbury Lions Club Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 4272, Salisbury, MD 21803. (501c3 charitable organization #83-3415307)





### George Charles Gale

Sharptown - George Charles Gale, 88, of Sharptown, died Sunday, September 1, 2019 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury.

Born October 16, 1930 in Vienna, he was the son of the late Louis J. Gale and Helen Augusta Boevers Gale.

He worked for many years at Dupont in Seaford and retired in 1985. He was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Sharptown, Sharptown Lions Club and had served with the National Guard.

He is survived by two daughters, Bonnie Standish and husband Wells of Salt Lake City and Gwendolyn Travers and husband Steve of Bishopville; a granddaughter, Paige Kaitlyn Standish and a grandson, Wells "Adam" Standish IV.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Grace Russell Gale who died April 14, 2000; and a brother, August Paul Gale,

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 1:00PM at Asbury United Methodist Church in Sharptown where the family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Pastor Jim Penuel will officiate. Interment will follow in Springhill Memory Gardens in Hebron.

Arrangements are in the care of Zeller Funeral Home in East New Market.



#### Otho Mariner, Jr.

Otho Mariner, Jr., loving husband and father passed away peacefully on July 18, 2019. He was born on October 16, 1922 and lived his entire life on the family farm near Snow Hill, MD.

He farmed with his brother, Randall, raising cattle, truck crops and chickens. In his 96 years, Otho witnessed the change in farming from horse drawn plows to modern day equipment. Mules, he fondly remembered, were much more reliable than horses.

Otho was active in the Redmen Lions Club and Snow Hill Christian Church. He loved family functions and watching football.

Otho is survived by his wife, Ida Hill Mariner. For 76 years she was the gleam in his eye. Together they had 3 sons, Munroe, Gordon and Otho III; as well as 7 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11 am, Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, at the Snow Hill Christian Church followed by a luncheon at the Snow Hill Lions Club.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest donations be made to the Snow Hill Christian Church located on 300 Park Row, Snow Hill, MD 21863.





## Keith D. Christopher

FEDERALSBURG — Keith D. Christopher of Federalsburg, MD, affectionately known as "Mr. Baseball" passed away on Saturday, June 22, 2019, three days after his 72nd birthday at Talbot Hospice House, following a brief hospitalization.

He was the son of the late H. Lawrence "Speedy" Christopher and Helen Stafford Christopher. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Katherine J. Evey-Christopher, on Oct. 16, 2012, for whom he had been a devoted caregiver.

Keith graduated from Colonel Richardson High School, Class of 1966. He had previously worked for Wilson Poultry, Caroline Box Company (Warehouse) and Chesapeake Wholesale Florist Company as a delivery person on Maryland's Eastern Shore and Delaware. He served his community in many capacities which included membership in the Federalsburg Jaycees where he was named "Citizen of the Year" in 1984, a life member of the Federalsburg Volunteer Fire Company and member of the Federalsburg Lions Club since 1970 where he served as "King Lion" (President) from 1979-1980, as Lion Tamer and on several committees during his 49 years of membership. He was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award by the Federalsburg Lions Club in recognition of his significant contributions to the community.

Little League Baseball was Keith's greatest love. He was involved for a number of years in the Little League program and served in many positions. The greatest position he attained and loved was being the District Administrator for Maryland District #6 which he did for 25 years, before retiring in 2010. He received national recognition for his longtime dedication to Little League at the 2010 Little League Congress in San Antonio, TX. Additionally, Keith served as Chairman of Boy Scouts Troop #137 for 25 years, served as president of the Choptank Football League and was a founding member of the Caroline County Youth Soccer Association. According to research by the Federalsburg Historical Society, it appears that Keith had the distinction of being the Federalsburg resident who lived for the longest time continuously in the same home — in excess of 72 years. As his ability to get around declined in recent years, he became more appreciative of his friends around Federalsburg: Frankie Bennett, Wayne Cole, Dicky Wheatley, Bonnie Thomas and Millicent Maloney. Keith also considered Darlene and Alan Planner as his "angels" for always being there for him.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, H. Larry Christopher. Keith is survived by his beloved nieces: Kathleen Christopher, of Raleigh, NC; Jennifer Stanko (John), of Chesterfield, VA; three great nieces: Kate Elizabeth, Evan Olivia, Halen Lawrence; and a sister-in-law, M. Jeanette Brinsfield Christopher.

