



## Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

### **PURCELL, JUDGE HAROLD H. '37**

Judge Harold H. Purcell died 14 July 2001 in Hindmore (Louisa County), VA. He was 87.

He attended the University of Virginia for undergraduate school and law. In World War II he was in the US Army and was discharged with the rank of captain..

He returned home from the war to be elected at age 26 to the Virginia House of Delegates where he served from 1947 until 1959. He then served in the Virginia State Senate from 1959 to 1966. One of the most important laws he sponsored was Virginia's Uninsured Motorist Act in 1958. He was appointed Judge on the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, where he served until he retired in 1979. He then joined with his son to practice law as Purcell and Purcell in Louisa County.

He was Past Master of Masonic Lodge #58 in Louisa, a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite. He also served as a Board Member of the National Bank and Trust (now the Wachovia Bank); a Member, Louisa County Historical Society; a Lifelong member, Louisa Christian Church. He was an officer and legal advisor to his father's company, Louisa Land and Lumber Corporation. He was the Founder, President, and COO of the Purcell Land and Lumber Corporation.

Survived by his wife of 65 years, Virginia Omohundro Purcell. Their anniversary was just eleven days before his death.); their two sons, Harold (Hal) of Midlothian, VA, and Charles of Louisa; four grandchildren, Brian, Lee, Eric, and Virginia; and three great-grandchildren.

At Augusta for two years: Honor Roll, Corporal in B Company, Peep Football.

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