

Henry R. "Hank" Knoll

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Henry R. "Hank" Knoll, age 81, of 793 Main Street in Blowing Rock died Thursday, May 30, 2013 at Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach, FL.

Hank was born January 6, 1932 in Chicago, Illinois, a son of the late Henry Richard Knoll, Sr. and Marie DeYoung Knoll. He left Chicago and bought the Azalea Garden Inn, in Blowing Rock, in 1976. This began his and Jimmie's journey into creating the beautiful grounds and inn for all to enjoy. Hank also served with the United States Coast Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Jimmie Franklin Knoll of the home; three children, daughter Susan Gill and husband Jim of Lenoir, daughter Judy Eckard and husband Tony of Hickory, a son Henry Knoll and wife Lisa of Boone; grandson Timothy Gill and wife Sheri of Munster, IN, grandson Josh Eckard of Hickory, granddaughter Jennifer Bevil and husband David of Munster, IN, grandson Alden Wetherell of Boone; five great-grandchildren Ethan Gill, Madison Bevil, Danny Bevil, Michael Swift and Evan Gill all of Munster, IN.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son Daniel F. Knoll, and one brother Richard Knoll.

Funeral services for Mr. Henry "Hank" Knoll will be conducted Thursday morning, June 6, 2013, at 11:00 o'clock, at First Baptist Church of Blowing Rock. The body will lie in state, at the

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church, from 10:00 until 11:00 o'clock. Officiating will be Dr. Marshall Edwards and Reverend Rhonda Gailes. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Blowing Rock.

The family will receive friends Wednesday afternoon, from 4:30 until 7:00 o'clock, at Hampton Funeral Service.

On-line condolences may be sent to the Knoll family at www.hamptonfuneralinc.com

Hampton Funeral and Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements.