

*Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory*

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 54 Space: E

Find A Grave # 55654395

Name: **Buckson, Gerald Irving**

Birth date: September 5, 1931 Death date: August 21, 1995 Burial Date: August 27, 1995 Age: 63  
b. Dover, DE

Spouses: Ruth Devine Draper, m. June 11, 1955, divorced; and Jules Hazzard, divorced

Children: William H. Buckson (1956-202); Elizabeth Draper *Buckson* Valdes

Parents: Howard Irving "Bucky" Buckson (1908-1986) and Clara Delene *Reed* Buckson (1910-1998)

Siblings: Suzanne *Buckson* Crowder

Residence: Rockford Rd, Wilmington, DE

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary: Liver failure; see next page

Service/occupation information: US Navy, Lt. J. G., engineering officer on USS Endurance  
see next page

Officiate:

Lot Owner: Mr. & Mrs. Howard Irvin Buckson-H,I -paid \$100, June.18.1964



Inscription:

Gerald Irving Buckson  
Sept. 5, 1931  
Aug. 21, 1995

DIMENSIONS: H flat on ground W 27" x D 16"

STYLE: Flat on ground

No repairs needed; needs periodic cleaning



Inventory date: February 8, 2020 Recorder: Nancy Quinn

On June 11, 1965 he married Ruth Devine Draper. They later divorced. His second wife was Jules Hazzard, and they divorced. He received a degree in psychology in 1953, and a degree in electrical engineering in 1961, both from the University of Delaware. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1953-1958 as a Lt. J. G. He was engineering officer on the USS Endurance. He was also an ordnance expert (EOD) with the Navy in Washington D.C. He was later employed by DuPont Company in the engineering physics lab where he was senior research engineer. He had two U.S. patents. He retired from DuPont in 1985, and then formed GIB Associates, a consulting firm.

The News Journal, Thursday, August 24, 1995

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New Journal, Thurs. Aug. 24, 1995

**GERALD IRVING BUCKSON, 63**, of 32 Rockford Road, **Wilmington**, died Monday of liver failure in Riverside Extended Care Pavilion.

Mr. Buckson worked at Thiokol Corp., Elkton, Md., from 1961 to 1965, when he became a senior research engineer in the DuPont Co.'s engineering physics lab in Wilmington. After retiring in 1985, he formed Gib Associates consulting firm.

He was a former officer of Rockford Village Civic Association.

Mr. Buckson was a 1949 graduate of Northfield (Mass.) Mount Hermon School. He received a degree in psychology in 1953 and in electrical engineering in 1961 from the University of Delaware.

He served in the Navy from 1953 to 1958.

He is survived by a son, William H. of Newark; a daughter, Elizabeth Draper Buckson Valdes of Wilmington; his mother, Clara Reed Buckson of Wilmington; a sister, Suzanne Buckson Crowder of Cockeysville, Md.; two grandchildren; and his former wife, Ruth D. Draper of New Castle.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Christ Episcopal Church, South State and Water streets, Dover.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Delaware Hospice, Wilmington 19810.

**Gerald Irving Buckson, 63**  
WILMINGTON — Gerald Irving Buckson of Wilmington died of liver failure Monday, Aug. 21, 1995, in Riverside Extended Care Pavilion, Wilmington. He was 63.

Mr. Buckson graduated from Northfield Mt. Hermon School in Northfield, Mass. in 1949. He received a degree in psychology in 1953 and a degree in electrical engineering in 1961, both from the University of Delaware.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1953 to 1958 as a Lt. J.G. He was an Engineering Officer on the USS Endurance at Long Beach, Calif. He was an ordnance expert (EOD) with the Navy in Washington, D.C. from 1956 to 1958.

Mr. Buckson was employed by Thiokol Chemical from 1961 to 1965. In 1965 he was employed by DuPont Company in the engineering physics lab, where he was the senior research engineer. He had two U.S. patents involving optiscan equipment. He retired from DuPont Company in 1985. He then formed GIB Associates, a consulting firm.

Mr. Buckson enjoyed world travel, chess, photography and computer programming.

He was a member of the Rockford Village Civic Association, where he served as treasurer and as president.

He is survived by a son, William Howard Buckson of Newark; a daughter, Elizabeth Draper Buckson Valdes of Wilmington; his mother, Clara Reed Buckson of Wilmington; a sister, Suzanne Buckson Crowder of Cockeysville, Md.; two grandchildren; and his former wife, Ruth D. Draper of New Castle.

A memorial service will be 3 p.m. Sunday in Christ Church, South State and Water streets, Dover.

Instead of flowers the family suggests contributions may be made to Delaware Hospice, Clayton Building, Suite 100, 3515 Silverdale Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810.

Arrangements are by Torbert Funeral Chapel, Dover.