

**OCEAN CITY** -- Granville Daniel Trimper, 79, of Ocean City died Monday, Oct. 27, 2008, at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin.

Born Feb. 9, 1929, he was a son of the late Pearl Sullivan and Granville Christopher Trimper.

He was the last remaining grandson of German immigrant Daniel Trimper, who in 1890, founded Windsor Resort/ Trimper's Rides, now the nation's longest continually owned and operated amusement park. Granville had served as the company's manager and CEO.

A lifetime resident of Ocean City, Granville was past president of the Ocean City Lion's Club, having been a Lion for 58 years. He was also a lifetime member of the Ocean City Fire Company, past president of the Ocean City Hotel Motel Restaurant Association, president of the Ocean City Museum Society, past president of the Downtown Association, helped in the creation of the OCDC, and was a longstanding member of the Ocean City Chamber of Commerce. He served on the board of directors for Peninsula Bank, and was vestryman and past senior warden of St. Paul's-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church.

In his later years, he was a member of the Evergreen Lodge 153 in Berlin, a 32nd degree Mason of the Scottish Right, and was a member of the Boumi Temple and Ocean City Shrine club. He served as a member of the Worcester County Sanitary Commission, and for more than 20 years, was on the Maryland Amusement Park Advisory Board. For 18 years, he served as an Ocean City councilman, council president, mayor of Ocean City, and four years as a Worcester County Commissioner.

In 1981, Mr. Trimper was presented the prestigious Paul Hazard Award by the HMR Association. Twenty years later, he was recognized for his dedication in support of his community and was the recipient of the Ocean City Citizen of the Year 2000 Award. Just this past summer, on behalf of the state of Maryland, Gov. Martin O'Malley recognized his lifetime of community service and personally issued an official proclamation to Granville for his endless efforts in providing amusement and diversion for generations of Marylanders from the often-mundane aspects of everyday life.

Mr. Trimper was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, Joanne Morgan Trimper in 1991; and his infant brother, William Trimper.

He is survived by his sister, Alice Bligh and her husband, Jim, of Salisbury; his wife, Martha Messick Trimper; his three children, John Douglas Trimper and wife, Cindy,

Linda T. Holloway and husband, Ralph, and Stephanie T. Lewis and husband, Brian; nine grandchildren, Christopher M., Gordon Brooks and Chelsea L. Trimper, Andrew M. and Amy Holloway, Bradley J. and Iva Holloway, Matthew H., Adam W., Timothy E. and Joanna Caroline Lewis; and two nephews, William R. and Richard Hopkins, both of Raleigh, N.C.

Friends may call from 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. today at Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. A funeral service will be held at noon Thursday at St. Paul's-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church on 3rd Street in Ocean City. A reception will immediately follow at the 15th Street firehouse. A private family Interment will be held in Riverton Memorial Park near Sharptown.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests any donations be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o Gerri Harrison, 337 Winter Quarters Drive, Pocomoke City, Md. 21851.