



Jerry Wayne Robbins

July 5, 1932 - March 15, 2017

Big Stone Gap, VA

Jerry W. Robbins, 84, went to his Heavenly home on Wednesday (March 15, 2017), surrounded by his family at home.

He was born in Lee County, VA, lived for 32 years in Lake LeAnn, MI, and had been a resident of Big Stone Gap since 1990. He and his wife, Wanda, spent the winter months in Florida. He retired after 32 years of service as a Plant Manager for General Motors.

He was a US Army Veteran, having served in England. He was a member of the John Fox, Jr. VFW Post #5715, where he served as treasurer and was proud to perform military honors for those who preceded him.

Jerry was a member of the Big Stone Gap Masonic Lodge #208, AF & AM; the Big Stone Gap Order of the Eastern Star #157, where he served as treasurer; and the Powell Valley Shrine Club. He loved to assist the children by driving the Shriner's van to Greenville, SC and other Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Jerry was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Big Stone Gap and attended the Heritage Church of God in Big Stone Gap.

Jerry lived with integrity and he cared for his family beyond measure. With a heavy heart, his family is relieved that his suffering is over. His legacy will live on in the family he so lovingly shaped and nurtured, and in the children he helped heal.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Curtis and Ressie Mae (Penley) Robbins; and a brother, Verlin Robbins.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Wanda (Parsons) Robbins; two sons, Michael J. (Susan) Robbins of Gladwin, MI and Curt (Teri) Robbins of West Bloomfield, MI; two

daughters, Terry (Janet) Robbins of Smithfield, VA and Robin (Randy) Briggs of Zephyr Hills, FL; six grandchildren, Michelle (Brian) Cicirello, Nicholas (Stacey) Robbins, Travis Briggs, Alec Robbins, Erik (Kayla) Briggs, and Blake Robbins; three great grandchildren, Anabelle Cicirello, and Colin and Brielle Robbins; one sister, Sonja Vann of Fuquay-Varina, NC; and other family members and friends.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap.

Masonic rites will begin at 1 p.m. in the funeral home chapel, followed by a final salute by his military comrades. The funeral service will follow with Pastor Ronnie Mutter officiating.

Military rites, by local VFW and DAV posts and the Virginia National Guard Honors Team, will follow at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be: Brian Cicirello, Blake Robbins, Erik Briggs, Verlin Robbins, Jr., Nick Robbins and Danny Burke.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the: Shriners Hospital for Children, 2900 N. Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607 or ShrinersHospitals.org/Donate.

To view the obituary online and offer condolences, please visit <http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com>.

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Robbins family.

Cemetery

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens
5650 Powell Valley Road
Big Stone Gap, VA, 24219

Events

- MAR 18**

Visitation

11:00AM - 01:00PM

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.
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Masonic Service

01:00PM

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Military Honors

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens
5650 Powell Valley Road, Big Stone Gap, VA, US, 24219

Comments



“ Prayers from Linda, daughter of Paul Bobrosky and Beulah Bobrosky

Linda Wingfield - March 30, 2017 at 03:19 PM



“ Thank you so much!

Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:39 PM



“ Abbie Blair lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Robbins



Abbie Blair - March 27, 2017 at 08:30 AM



“ Thank you - so appreciated

Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:39 PM



“ My wife and I had no idea that this had happened. We live three houses down on the hill, my wife loved how he walked his pomy and she had one just like it. He always talked so nice to her and it meant so much to her as she has M.S. and has a hard time communicating all she wants to say, but they had one thing in common, their love for dogs. I thank y'all so much for him blessing us. Juno and Carolyn Bolinsky

Juno Carol Bolinsky - March 23, 2017 at 09:37 PM



“ Thank you for your kind words

Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:40 PM



“ Wanda and family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Jerry grew up with my mother, Trula Mae Capps, in the Meadowfork community. We didn't hear anything about his passing until after his funeral. We would have been there if we had known about it. We will keep you all in our prayers.
Love
Eric and JoAnn Capps

Brenda Jones - March 19, 2017 at 09:01 PM



“ Thank you -
Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:40 PM



“ My condolences at this difficult time Wanda and family. Thoughts and prayers for you as you go through these days. I know your faith will comfort you.

Patricia Bowden - March 17, 2017 at 10:36 PM



“ Thank you
Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:41 PM



“ Me and my brother was just a few minutes ago talking about what a good man Jerry was. He had a special way of making one feel confident in whatever task lie ahead. Jerry was my best friend, my right hand man and if i wanted a job done right I just gave it to Jerry and got out of his way.
He would call me and ask if I wanted a care package, when i got it it was a big bag filled with tomatos, potatoes, green beans, SWEET CORN. Most of the time the corn was shucked and ready to go into the pot.
My wife on first coming to Big Stone Gap says that when she first met Jerry it seemed to her that he took special care in making her feel welcome.
It is very difficult to say goodbye here, but I know they are jumping for joy in heaven to have such a TROOPER join their ranks.

Joe D. Rasnick - March 17, 2017 at 09:12 AM



“ Love you Joe - mom is trying to cope - your kind words mean the world to her - Thank you for honoring him at his funeral - he would be proud - as I am - Thank you all for all that you did - my dad had many good friends and he considered you one of his best - much love and we will definitely be in touch xoxo

Robin - April 05, 2017 at 02:42 PM