



George Robert "Rob" Collins

June 7, 1977 - March 21, 2013

Kingsport, TN/East Stone Gap, VA

George Robert "Rob" Collins, 35, passed away on Thursday (Mar. 21, 2013).

He was born on June 7, 1977 in Middlesboro, KY. He grew up in East Stone Gap, VA and attended the Wise County Christian School and was a 1995 graduate of Powell Valley High School. He was a self-employed knife maker.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Monica Collins and Kimberly Skaggs; maternal grandparents, Lois and Robert Burleson; paternal grandparents, George and Ruth Collins; and an uncle, Richard Burleson.

Surviving are his wife of three years, Christina Collins; mother, Janice Collins of East Stone Gap; father, Alvin Collins of Dryden, VA; children, Max Collins, Justin Ketron, Jewell Ketron and Kayla Ketron, all of Kingsport; a granddaughter, Lily Rain Ketron; sister, Wendy Collins-Ellis and husband, Robert of Big Stone Gap, VA; aunts, Dorothy Phipps and husband, Charles of Kingsport, Kaye Parrot and Faye Collins, both of Big Stone Gap; Brenda Rutherford and husband, John of Big Stone Gap; an uncle, George Collins and wife, Shirley of Big Stone Gap; nieces, Brittany Poole and Todd Wagner of Big Stone Gap; and Vanessa and husband, Mark Reed of Big Stone Gap; nephews, Justin Skaggs, Travis Skaggs and Jeremy Collins, all of Big Stone

Gap; cousins, Brandon Parrot and Shannon Parrot, both of Big Stone Gap; and his best friend, whom he considered to be his brother, Kevin "Lav" Lavender of Kingsport.

The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap.

The Celebration of Life service will follow at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Ric Wright officiating.

Burial will follow in the American Legion Cemetery in Big Stone Gap.

Pallbearers will be: Roger Nichols, Kevin "Lav" Lavender, Justin Ketron, James Stull, Fred Price, and Jonathan Dingus.

To view the obituary and offer condolences online, please visit www.holdingfuneralhome.com.

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the Collins family.

Tribute Wall



“ George Robert "Rob" Collins

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ I've known him since I was 15 and I'm 43 right now he was my best friend and my blood brother! When he died a piece of me went with him! We have went through so much stuff together I couldn't begin or know where to start! Rob Collins I love u and u will always be in my heart brother! Miss u and see u in the end!! ☐❤️😭😭😭👍

Roger Nichols - May 11, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ Omg this breaks my heart. He had the most infectious smile. I know I'm late but I didn't know til my daughter told me. She knows Max. Christina my heart goes out to you. I know it's been years since I've seen or talked to you and kids. I can't believe it!! The world lost an awesome human being. Ik his brightened heaven up with that smile. I love you Rob RIP my kindred spirit.

Elisha Simpson - April 30, 2019 at 11:30 AM



“ I will always cherish the good times we all shared. I will never forget your smile that always greeted me when we saw each other. No matter how much time past, it was like we never missed a beat. You will never be forgotten. R.I.P. my friend. My sympathies go out to all your loved ones during this difficult time.

Michelle Anderson Moore - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

RE

“ To Christina & all the kids- I am so sorry for our loss. I'm here for you all if EVER you need ANYTHING! I miss my brother dearly!

Redio/ra. - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

AN

“ So many thoughts race thru my mind...and the simplest thing of walking into my sister Christinas house and not hearing RobRob say; " Heyyy Siiisss" it breaks my heart. was privileged to have a part of him in my life...and i know my kids will miss thier uncle, who always made them smile and called them Yummy Duckets! Lol. miss u Rob, may ur beautiful soul live thru all who knew u!! R.i.p. my condolences to all that is hurting!!

Angel - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

KG

“ Miss you. Ill never forget you!

Kara Gordon - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

SS

“ I am sorry to hear of Robbie's passing. He was so full of life. I will be praying for his family.

Summer Smith - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

WC

“ I luv & miss u soo much Rob!!! Y callin me siserooo!!! I just didnt get enough time with you. It was cut short again!!! b (

wendy michelle collins-ellis - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

TR

“ Leave a condolence or a memory. Rob you will be missed whenever I saw you it was like we just saw each other yesterday..your smile was contagious and you always had one on your face..I'm gonna miss you buddy...Chris I'm sorry you lost Rob he was a great man and loved by many. Hope you are doing well.

Tracy - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

LN

“ Meet Rob thru my husband Roger Nichols Always had a great time around him kept everyone smiling. Thank you Rob for being in our wedding. Love you buddy!

Lori Nichols - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

WC

“ Luv u lil brother!!! I remember when u first were born & came home!!! My lil brother!!! I miss you!!! R.I.P. : (

wendy michelle collins-ellis - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM

JU

“ Love you Rob. We will all ways miss you.

Jullian - December 10, 2013 at 08:10 AM