



Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton

August 9, 1977 - March 31, 2018

Big Stone Gap, VA

Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton, Jr., 40, passed away on Saturday (March 31, 2018) at his home.

He was a lifelong resident of Big Stone Gap, worked as a carpenter most of his life and also as a butcher with Save-A-Lot. Leroy, as he was affectionately known, was an ordained minister and had pastored at the Harbor's Chapel Pentecostal Church in Pennington Gap, VA. He volunteered at the Powell Valley Christian School. Leroy attended the Powell Valley Seventh-Day Adventist Church in the Seminary Community.

Leroy loved spending time with his sons and family, reading the bible, hunting, fishing, basketball, playing his guitar and singing. He especially loved listening to Johnny Cash.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack S. Blanton, Sr.; and his first wife, Melissa Ann (Lawson) Blanton.

Surviving are his wife, Johnnie Ruth (Bailey) Blanton; two sons, Nathan Lee Blanton and Joshua David Blanton, of the home; his mother and step-father, Ethel and Richard Lane of Big Stone Gap; his sister, Lorie Lane of Big Stone Gap; two brothers, Richie Lane of Big Stone Gap and Dennis Lane of Chapel Hill, NC; three step-children, Anthony Smith, Erica Collins and Bella Warf; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial graveside service will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 7, 2018 at the Lane-Blanton Cemetery in Big Stone Gap with Pastor Robbie Reece officiating. The family and friends will meet at the funeral home by 1:30 p.m. Saturday (April 7th) to go in procession to the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the: Powell Valley Christian School, 187 Stairway Drive, Dryden, VA 24243.

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

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Blanton family.

Cemetery Details

Lane-Blanton Cemetery

55967 Veterans Memorial Highway
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Previous Events

Funeral Procession

APR 7. 1:30 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.
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Memorial Graveside Service

APR 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM

RI

“ My heart is broken...for Leroy, for those 2 beautiful boys...
May God Bless & Keep them during this time of tragic loss
and heartbreak.



Rikki - April 05, 2018 at 01:52 PM

C.

“ Rest in peace with Jesus my friend 🙏. Curtis hall



Curtis .Hall - April 04, 2018 at 10:17 PM

MD

“ Miranda & Rickie Deboard lit a candle in memory of Jack S.
"Leroy" Blanton



Miranda & Rickie Deboard - April 04, 2018 at 09:08 AM



“ Broken Wing Pendant was purchased for the family of Jack S.
"Leroy" Blanton.



April 04, 2018 at 03:02 AM

RT

“ You are in my thoughts, my heart, and my prayers. Today and. Always. 🙏💔



Rose Tullis - April 04, 2018 at 02:45 AM

AM

“ Allison Moseley-McAbee lit a candle in memory of Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton



Allison Moseley-McAbee - April 03, 2018 at 10:36 PM

TW

“ I was both shocked and heartbroken to find this obit. Leroy was a student of mine for several years and he kept me in tears of laughter all the time! He could really tell some big tales about fishing and hunting. It was really a pleasure to see his face every day. I am sure he will be missed by all family and friends. May the Lord bring comfort to all his family.

Teresa Ward - April 03, 2018 at 10:19 PM

VA

“ Thoughts and prayers goes out to his family



Vanessa Ashwood - April 03, 2018 at 09:40 PM

 Jean Turley

“ Jean Turley lit a candle in memory of Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton



Jean Turley - April 03, 2018 at 09:28 PM



So very sorry for your loss, may God comfort you and all the family

Jean Turley - April 03, 2018 at 09:30 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Stacey lit a candle in memory of Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton*



Kathy Stacey - April 03, 2018 at 08:22 PM

KS

Ethel and family, my heart breaks for your loss...

Kathy Stacey - April 03, 2018 at 08:24 PM

PW

“ *Pamela Wood lit a candle in memory of Jack S. "Leroy" Blanton*



Pamela Wood - April 03, 2018 at 03:07 PM

JF

“ *To Ethel and the entire family, May the Lord comfort you all during this time. We love you all and we will pray for all of you during such a difficult time. God Bless.*



Jeff Robinson and family - April 02, 2018 at 04:38 PM

RW

Ethel and the family. We are so sorry for your loss. Lovage you. Ruth and Lanny Wilson

Ruth Wilson - April 03, 2018 at 01:12 PM