



## Mr. James Harold "Jim" Pierce

June 22, 1929 - November 25, 2014

Yorktown, VA

James "Jim" Harold Pierce, 85, passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, November 25, 2014.

Jim was born in Appalachia, VA and was the son of the late Mr. And Mrs. L.A. (Dora) Pierce of Big Stone Gap, VA. He attended school in Big Stone Gap and later served in the Merchant Marines and the United States Army. Jim began his career in the Newport News Shipyard in 1952. He continued his work as a quality control inspector in the Norfolk Naval Shipyard in 1978 and retired from there in 1991. He was a Master Mason having completed sixty years of Membership in the Masonic Fraternity.

Jim was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He loved his family and took special care to make sure they knew they were loved, cared for, and protected. Becoming a great grandparent was a great joy to him and he was especially proud of his first great grandson, Axley, who is now two years old.

He was caring and compassionate to his wife of 63 years, Mildred Brickey Pierce. They took faithful care of each other through stages of illness that came to them at different times in their lives.

Jim is survived by his wife, Mildred Brickey Pierce; children, Debbie Pierce Atkinson (Dexter), Becky Pierce Mason (Tom), and James H. Pierce II (Cynthia); grandchildren, Joey Carroll, Mary Ellen Sick (Kellen), David Mason (Elizabeth), Elizabeth Pierce, Ryan Pierce, and Jared Pierce. He is also survived by a brother and sister-in-law, Tommy and Connie Pierce, another sister-in-law, Inez Blevins, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The services will take place on Saturday, November 29, 2014 at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap, VA. The family will receive friends at noon and the service will be held at 2:00 P.M. with Charles Miller officiating, and followed by interment and military rites, by the Va. National Guard Honors Team and local V.F.W. and D.A.V. posts, at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens.

While flowers are appreciated, gifts may be made to the Riverside Regional Medical Center Make a Difference Fund [www.riversideonline.com/foundation](http://www.riversideonline.com/foundation).

To view the obituary online and offer condolences, please visit [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com).

Holding Funeral Home of Big Stone Gap, VA is serving the Pierce family.

# Cemetery Details

## Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

5650 Powell Valley Road  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219  
(276) 679-0030

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **29**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.  
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## Military Honors

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Harold "Jim" Pierce*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *The Pahati Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Harold "Jim" Pierce*



**The Pahati Family** - January 09, 2015 at 11:08 AM



“ *Vivian Pahati lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Harold "Jim" Pierce*



**Vivian Pahati** - December 10, 2014 at 01:23 PM



“ *Mildred and family,  
We're sorry for you loss, Jim was such a great person. He will live on in our memories forever. I will never forget the day we went to dinner at Olive Garden and he asked me if he can get a glass of wine, such a gentleman! You and you family are in our prayers.*

**Vivian Pahati** - December 10, 2014 at 01:22 PM

JC

“ I'll remember Mr. Pierce with a great deal of respect. My prayers go out to the family during this time of sadness.

Joe Carroll - November 30, 2014 at 02:04 PM

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“ Mildred and family , Tom and Connie and family, My prayers are with you in. This time of loss. Jimmy was my oldest first cousin and I loved him, too.

Anne Mumpower

Anne Mumpower - November 30, 2014 at 06:23 AM

AC

“ Becky ~Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. May your memories give you comfort and peace. Your Dad will be with you always in your heart. Love, Ed and Anne Currin and Ben and Trent Dull

Anne Currin - November 28, 2014 at 10:13 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. James Harold "Jim" Pierce.



November 28, 2014 at 01:53 PM