



Joseph Curtis Herron Sr.

June 1, 1955 - October 15, 2023

Norton, Virginia

Joseph Curtis Herron Sr, age 67, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, October 15, 2023. He was born in Appalachia hospital June 1, 1955. He had a wonderful childhood, raised by a loving mother and grandmother.

Joseph started working for Joe Bolinsky at his Gulf station when he was 17 and was often called Joe 2. Mr. Bolinsky was an inspiration to him for the rest of his life. At 18, he started underground for Westmoreland Coal Company, Bullitt Mine, then transferred to Virginia Birmingham Bolt Co., working there for about 7 years. Joe then had the opportunity to start working for Southern Ohio Coal Company in Meigs County Ohio, where he worked for the next 7 years. He then returned to Virginia in 1980 and worked for Paramount Coal Company Deep Mine 1 until 1988, which was the end of his career in the mines due to 2 mining accidents resulting in the removal of 4 discs.

Once he recovered, he went to M.E.C.C. and Virginia Intermont and enjoyed college life. Joe substituted a year at Powell Valley and other Lonesome Pine schools where he found teaching was not for him. After that, he went into auxiliary police work in 1992 and later joined the police force, retiring in 2003. He could often be heard saying he accomplished everything he set out to do in his life and was very proud of that fact.

Joe was a member of Stevens Church of God in Wise and loved his church family. The most important life changing event in his life was when he accepted our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Unfortunately, Joe went away from the Lord for a time, however he returned to the altar where Jesus welcomed him back with open arms. Today and forevermore, Joe walks in paradise.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gerald and Addie Herron, his beloved grandmother Mattie Hobbs, (his wife of 41 years) Debra Lynn, his brother Robbie and cousins Curt and Donna, Connie Lynn Blaylock, and her infant child as well as many cherished aunts and uncles.

Surviving are his wife Barbara (his bestest friend) as he always said, and his children Chad, Eddie, Greg, Joe Jr., and Misty as well as grandchildren and great grandchildren who he loved and was so proud of! Joe's sister Teresa and brother Lonnie as well as 2 aunts and an uncle. Auntie Wanda (91) always held a special piece of Joe's heart and his undying respect.

The family will receive friends on Friday, October 20, 2023, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Holding Funeral Home. The funeral service will be conducted following in the funeral home's chapel with Pastor Shawn Allen officiating. He will be laid to rest in Glencoe Cemetery with a private family gathering. In lieu of flowers, Joe requested donations be made in his honor to Stevens Church of God for their mortgage fund. (P.O. Box 3096, Wise, VA. 24293)

An online register is available for the family at www.holdingfuneralhome.com

A memorial video has been created for family and friends at:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/N33GSMCYYP88CNBK>

Holding Funeral Home is honored to be serving the family of Joseph Curtis Herron, Sr.

Cemetery Details

Glencoe Cemetery

Spring Street
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT **20**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Holding Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Joseph Curtis Herron Sr.*



Holding Funeral Home, Inc. - October 19, 2023 at 11:12 AM

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“ *Joey and family , very sorry about your dad. Prayers for you all.*

Randall Manis.... Norton , Va. - October 19, 2023 at 07:02 PM

WC

“ *Since Joe Curtis was a very small child, we had a special relationship.
I especially treasure the last seven years as our weekly phone conversations were great reminders of the area where we lived. We sometimes had lengthy talks about many of life's varied topics, the mines, the schools, the people, the struggles. I so appreciated the family discussions and his interest in where we came from and who we are.
I am so thankful he is now at rest in a place of joy, peace, and love. I am thankful for his life and all we shared!
I love him and will miss him terribly. Prayers and condolences to Barb and his children.*

Auntie Wanda

Wanda Carter - October 18, 2023 at 06:19 PM