



## Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins

March 30, 1932 - August 14, 2015

Appalachia, Va.

Kenneth Lee Atkins, 83, of the Derby community, passed away on Friday (Aug. 14, 2015) at his home, surrounded by his family.

He was a lifelong resident of Derby and was affectionately known as “Pop.” He was a retired coal miner with the Westmoreland Coal Co., having served over 42 years, and a member of the U.M.W.A. District #17, Local #1405. He led by example with his strong work ethic. A mentor to many in the community, he coached peanut football and church league softball for many years. He served his country for three years in the U. S. Army. He was a member of the Derby United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Leigh Ann Kennedy Bolinsky; his parents, Thomas E. “Red” and Grace (Vanoy) Atkins; and a sister, Evelyn Atkins.

Surviving are his wife of 62 years, Charlotte Atkins; three daughters, Kathy Kennedy and husband, Gary of Derby, Va., Susie Atkins Horton of Big Stone Gap, Va., and Cindy Leedy and husband, Pat of Blountville, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Adam Kennedy, Travis Atkins, Ryan Leedy, Courtney Leedy and Chad Leedy; great grandchildren, Tanner Kennedy, Colton Kennedy,

Addison Kennedy, Jasmine Bolinskey, Brysen Bolinskey, Kyla Leedy, Easton Leedy, and Harper Leedy; two brothers, Hubert “Buster” Adkins of Roda, Va. and Jessie Adkins of Wyoming; several nieces and nephews; and two special caregivers, Mary Jane Fannon and Felicia Ward.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap, Va.

The funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Tuesday in the funeral home chapel with Pastor David Rose officiating.

Burial will follow at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be grandsons and great grandsons.

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

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Atkins family.

# Cemetery Details

## Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 17.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.  
17 E. 3rd St., N.  
P. O. Drawer H  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219  
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## Service

**AUG 18.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Interment

AUG 18 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Lynne And John Tull lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins*



**Lynne and John Tull** - August 18, 2015 at 02:04 AM



“ *I know Granny, Papaw, Evelyn & Leigh Ann met you in heaven Pop. What a wonderful reunion you are having. Love to all the family. Christy Adkins Crouse.*

**christy adkins crouse** - August 17, 2015 at 06:13 PM



“ *My condolences are with your family. So sad to hear of Kenneth's passing.*

**Jennifer Mullins** - August 17, 2015 at 04:11 PM



“ *Dear Family, CHARLOTTE and all may the Lord comfort you like a warm plush blanket as you go foreward. Prayers for you Wanda and Jim Caudill BSG VA 523-3360*

**Wanda Caudill** - August 17, 2015 at 03:33 PM

GS

“ A FELLOW COAL MINER AND GOOD FRIEND TO ALL ! LOVE AND GOD'S PERFECT PEACE TO ALL THE FAMILY, IN JESUS NAME. WE LOVE YOU AND ARE PRAYING FOR ALL OF YOU DURING YOUR GREAT TIME OF LOSS ! GOD BLESS <+><

*Cathy & Gary Sexton*

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**Gary Sexton** - August 17, 2015 at 08:06 AM

RM

“ *Rachael May lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins*



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**Rachael May** - August 17, 2015 at 06:39 AM

RM

*My thoughts and prayers are with your family. May your memories bring you peace and comfort. God Bless You.*

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**Rachael May** - August 17, 2015 at 06:40 AM

DM

“ *I saw Kenneth just a few months ago after not seeing him for many years due to living so far away. He recognized me immediately and was so nice. My condolences to the family - Dylan Mullins*

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**Dylan Mullins** - August 16, 2015 at 08:02 PM

PV

*Prayers for peace for the family Hear the joy as Kenneth hugs Leigh Ann and the laughter begins. Patti and Phillip Vanhook*

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**Patti Vanhook** - August 17, 2015 at 07:07 PM

KC

“ Karen Chandler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins



Karen Chandler - August 16, 2015 at 11:56 AM

LM

“ Love Always, Stacy, Kevin, Slim, and Austin Morse purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins.



Love Always, Stacy, Kevin, Slim, and Austin Morse - August 16, 2015 at 09:55 AM

JW

“ Jo Wikle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kenneth Lee Atkins



jo wikle - August 16, 2015 at 09:24 AM

CM

“ One of the finest men I've ever known-true honest to a fault. And he married into our family to the sweetest woman in our family, my precious Aunt Charlotte. They raised 3 wonderful daughters and a slew of kids and grandkids, and Kenneth cherished every one. He will be eternally missed with that smile and orneriness. My special blessing to the family, especially Charlotte.

Carroll Mullins - August 15, 2015 at 10:26 PM