



## Matthew Douglas Bush

August 13, 1987 - December 24, 2016

Wise, VA/Big Stone Gap, VA

Matthew Douglas Bush, 29, went home to be with his Savior, Christmas Eve. He courageously fought a battle with cancer with unwavering faith.

Matthew was an Ordained Minister, an Eagle Scout with East Stone Gap Troop #603, and a Teen Sunday School Teacher. He was currently employed by Eastman Credit Union, Duffield branch. He was formerly employed by H & R Block, Sykes, and Southwest Virginia Museum.

Matthew was a member of Zion's Chapel in Big Stone Gap and had served as youth pastor at New Hope Assembly of God. He made a difference in so many lives and will never be forgotten. He believed his work here on earth was not finished and we know it will carry on through all the lives he touched.

He was preceded in death by his papaw, June Bush.

He was a loving husband of nine years to Rebecca, his high school sweetheart and father to his precious children, Jackson Cooper Bush and Paisley June Bush, of the home; his parents, Roy and Robin Bush; brother and best friend, Jacob Bush; paternal grandmother, Vadna Bush, all of Big Stone Gap, VA. and maternal grandparents, Robert and Alice Dunn of

Blountville, TN; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Gary and Bonnie Snyder of Wise, VA.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap, VA.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Roger Jenkins and Rev. Travis Jenkins officiating.

Burial will follow at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to assist Matthew's children may be made to Zion's Chapel, c/o Dianne Mabe, 5015 Back Valley Road, Big Stone Gap, Va, 24219

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

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

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Matthew Bush's family.

# Cemetery Details

## Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **28**. 5:00 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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holdingfuneralhome@comcast.net  
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## Celebration of Life

DEC **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Burial

DEC **29** (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Matthew Douglas Bush*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Robin, Praying for God's peace and assurance during this trying time. May God grant you strength and grace in the days ahead. Love you to you and family. Pam Hickman*

**Pam Hickman** - December 28, 2016 at 11:40 PM



“ *Hello Robin and family. My heart, my love is with all of you. Our God and all who saw Mathew's faith will live on and keep you through these times. Shirley Smith*

**Shirley Smith** - December 28, 2016 at 03:00 PM



“ *Roy, Robin, Jacob, and Vadna please know we are sending love, prayers, and hugs from Georgia. Matthew was a wonderful husband, father, and person. He touched so many and will live forever in our hearts. May God bless you and your family through this rough time. Love to all. Rick, Petie, and Suzanne*

**Rick Bush** - December 28, 2016 at 08:48 AM

James  
Bolling

“ I remember when Matt and I attended the Bristol race watching this young man bounce in his seat as the race went on. Afterwards as we were driving back he went on and on about his family, dreams and life.

We are left to want to wonder why and how. The answer is simple - God needed his servant home. Till we meet again my friend.



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**James Bolling** - December 28, 2016 at 06:53 AM

DB

“ Dennis and I had the privilege of not only knowing Matt, but were blessed to worship with him many times in church, to hear him preach, and witness first hand the love and devotion he had to his God, his family, his church, and his friends. Dennis was blessed to have also worked with Matt. We extend our heartfelt love and condolences to all his family. If businesses are allowed in Heaven, I'm sure there will be a Bacon Restaurant on the corner of 1st and Glory! We will see you again, Matthew Bush!

Dennis and Carol Bolling



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**Dennis and Carol Bolling** - December 27, 2016 at 05:10 PM

KR

“ *Our Thoughts & Prayers are with Family !  
May God Comfort & Give You Peace , Robin,  
Roy , Becca , Jacob & Family !  
All The Wonderful Memories will Forever Live  
On . Matthews work here on earth is not  
finished .His Love of The Lord & His Family will forever Live on  
through his precious Children !  
We Love You ALL  
Ken , Kathy & Blake*



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**Kathy Rhoten** - December 27, 2016 at 04:47 PM

SA

“ *Sheila Zirkle Adldoost lit a candle in memory  
of Matthew Douglas Bush*



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**Sheila Zirkle Adldoost** - December 27, 2016 at 03:30 PM

SA

*So sorry for your loss. I was happy to share a prayer with Matt a few  
days before he died while at UVA. I will keep your family in my thoughts  
and prayers. Sheila Adldoost*

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**Sheila Zirkle Adldoost** - December 27, 2016 at 03:36 PM

AF

“ *AMANDA FIG lit a candle in memory of  
Matthew Douglas Bush*



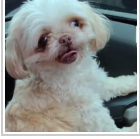
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**AMANDA FIG** - December 27, 2016 at 03:06 PM

AF

*SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. THOUGHT A LOT ABOUT MATT.*

**AMANDA FIG** - December 27, 2016 at 03:08 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. My the Lord be with you in your family. JB and Lisa Hurd*



**Lisa Hurd** - December 27, 2016 at 11:22 AM



“ *Claudia Lane lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



**Claudia Lane** - December 27, 2016 at 11:17 AM

KL

“ *Life ends, life goes on, believe in our Lord Jesus Christ our savior and he will comfort you in your hour of need. We are so sorry for your loss. Ken and Joanne Lunsford*



**Ken Lunsford** - December 27, 2016 at 11:07 AM



“ *Katherine Smith lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



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**Katherine Smith** - December 27, 2016 at 04:55 AM



*May God comfort each & everyone of you.*

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**Katherine Smith** - December 27, 2016 at 04:56 AM

RR

“ *Rick Rhea lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



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**Rick Rhea** - December 27, 2016 at 04:41 AM



“ *Kevin Lipps lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



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**Kevin Lipps** - December 26, 2016 at 11:59 PM

SP

“ *Our sincere condolences to Matt's family. He was one of the sweetest people we had the pleasure of knowing and he will be missed. Susan Pennington, Ethan, Naomi and Jacob Lopez.*



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**Susan Pennington** - December 26, 2016 at 08:50 PM

JS

“ *Judy Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



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**Judy Schmidt** - December 26, 2016 at 08:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Matthew Douglas Bush.*



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December 26, 2016 at 08:40 PM

JS

“ Dearest Robin, Roy, Becca, Jackson and Paisley

We pray that this time of mourning is eased a little with all the love we are sending to you.

Our hearts are saddened by the loss of sweet Matthew. I know he loved the Lord and spread His word everywhere he went. His faith has inspired and lifted us in countless ways, particularly in recent weeks.

Heaven is brighter and our passed loved ones are rejoicing to have him with them.

We love you.

Jute, Steve, Kaly & Calyb and Carol

P.S Jesus is going to love Matthews cakes!!!



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**Judy Schmidt** - December 26, 2016 at 08:36 PM

AN

“ I used to play basketball with Matt, he had one of the prettiest three pointers to be a center. He was an awesome guy! Will be praying for his family.

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**Andrew** - December 26, 2016 at 08:28 PM

CL

“ "Aunt Meatloaf" sends her love to Robin, Roy, Becca, Paisley and Jackson. "Always in my heart".



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**Carol Lunsford** - December 26, 2016 at 07:53 PM

RE

“ Wishing you peace, to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. So sorry Rebecca.



rebecca - December 26, 2016 at 07:44 PM

JS

“ Matthew was the young gentleman that waited on us at Eastman Credit Union! He will be greatly missed! Our thoughts and prayers are with the family! Let God comfort your hearts and hold to those precious memories of your loved one!



James n LuAnn Summers - December 26, 2016 at 07:22 PM

LP

“ LesLee Mullins Phillips lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush



LesLee Mullins Phillips - December 26, 2016 at 07:16 PM

DM

“ Such a sweet young man.  
So sorry Robin may the lord hold you close during this terrible time.  
Love and prayers  
Debbie Mullins  
(aka) LesLees mom



Deborah Mullins - December 26, 2016 at 07:08 PM

AW

*We met Matt at ECU in Duffield earlier this year. He made such a positive impact on us and we are so sorry for your loss. He spoke of you and his children with such love. This breaks our heart. You and your children are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Anita Wade** - December 26, 2016 at 07:41 PM



“ *Jason Stipe lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



**Jason Stipe** - December 26, 2016 at 06:57 PM

Frankie Price

“ *Frankie Price lit a candle in memory of Matthew Douglas Bush*



**Frankie Price** - December 26, 2016 at 06:46 PM