



Fremon Arthur Treadway

July 21, 1937 - December 27, 2015

Fremon Arthur Treadway, 78, of Altavista died peacefully Sunday, December 27, 2015 at his home with his family by his side. He was the husband of Phyllis "Trudy" Goodman Treadway for fifty-four years.

He was born July 21, 1937, in Flag Pond, TN, a son of the late Arthur Alvin Treadway and Mary Lee Bailey Treadway. He attended First Baptist Church in Altavista and was the owner of Treadway Racing and Truck Service. Fremon worked in the NASCAR racing industry since 1964, beginning with Richard Petty. He opened his own shop in 1970 continuing to build for Petty Enterprises which included Kyle Petty's first Grand National race car, Dale Earnhardt, Sr. and Wood Brothers Racing. In 1994, he built A.J. Foyt's Inaugural Brickyard 400 car. He was a member of the Lynch Station Ruritan Club and received the "Man of the Year" award in 1973.

During his lifetime as husband, father and grandfather, Fremon taught his children and grandchildren many life lessons; canoeing, fishing, swimming, go-cart racing and 4-wheeling. His daughters remember growing up at the race tracks every weekend during NASCAR season. They never considered their dad famous; it was just the "norm." They always admired his intelligence and creativity. "Daddy could do or fix anything".

Fremon spent many long days and nights at his shop. He had several

employees and took many others under his wing to teach them his skills. "Daddy was a perfectionist and never quit or gave up on anything." He instilled that in everyone who spent time with him especially his daughters and grandchildren. Fremon was always making people laugh with his joking nature. To know him was to love him.

We are so thankful to have had him as husband, dad, "Popie" and now, as our guardian angel.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by four daughters, Tamera Treadway-Pippin of Lynchburg, Suzanne Treadway of Altavista, Shelly Treadway Peery (James) of Troutville, and Dale Treadway-Mann (Ricky) of Madison Heights; five grandchildren, Lyndsey Bennett (Brad), Callie Prest (Ryan), Taylor Hall (Seth), and Carson and Tucker Peery; two brothers, J.L. Treadway, and Floyd Treadway (Judy); three sisters, Bea Morton (James), Lois Ann Cooper, and Lucille Dudley (Dennis); three sisters-in-law, Peggy Treadway, Anita Treadway, and Barbara Treadway; a brother-in-law, William "Billy" Goodman (Daisy); and a very close friend, Bob Childress, as well as many others.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Dallas, Earnest and Guy Lee Treadway; and one sister, Willedean Rocchins.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, December 31, 2015 at First Baptist Church in Altavista by the Rev. Dr. Michael Lee with interment to follow in Green Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:30 p.m., Wednesday at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at the residence.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1001 Bedford Ave.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall

DK

“ I still have the race car that Fremon built for me in 1993 in my garage, he was highly skilled as a builder, he inspired me to build chassis myself and think of him often, rest in peace my friend, I just found out about his passing as I went to his shop to visit, rest easy my friend

David Kepley - December 06, 2022 at 10:19 AM

LW

“ Dear Phyllis and family, Les and I were so saddened to learn of Fremon's passing. We pray for the peace that passes all understanding for at this very difficult time.
Les & Mary Woodie



Les & Mary woodie - January 01, 2016 at 12:04 PM

AS

“ We will miss this talented man. I use to love coming by his shop and admireing his skills. He's the only man I know that said he could make cornbread out of sheet metal. Al and Karen Sherwood

Al and Karen Sherwood - January 01, 2016 at 07:34 AM

JP

“ Deepest sympathy to Phyllis and family. You are in our prayers as you mourn Fremons loss and celebrate his wonderful life Pat and Joan Prest

Joan Prest - December 31, 2015 at 10:56 AM

LH

“ My dearest family, Gary and I want to let you know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Uncle Freeman was one person that we were honored to have known. He was a wonderful man that always put his family first. I will miss his jokes and laughter but most of all I will miss his love. We love you all so very much. Gary and Lisa

Lisa Halker - December 31, 2015 at 10:52 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



December 31, 2015 at 07:38 AM

CB

“ Craig, Vicki Hall and Boys purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



Craig, Vicki Hall and Boys - December 30, 2015 at 11:45 PM

VH

“ Vicki Hall lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Vicki Hall - December 30, 2015 at 10:49 PM

TN

“ *Phyllis, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Living across the road (Sutton Road) in Greensboro we got together and talked often. One favorite time was in 1968 going to Martinsville with Fremon and the Petty race team. I am truly sorry for your loss. Toby Neville Littleton NC.*

Toby Neville - December 30, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .*



December 30, 2015 at 12:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .*



December 30, 2015 at 12:24 PM

AE

“ *Remembering the good times I had with Freman and the Treadway family!!*



Alden Edwards - December 30, 2015 at 11:02 AM

LD

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My husband Perry thought so much of Freeman and enjoyed talking to him about racing. I know he will be missed by so many lives that he touched. God bless your family. Lana Dews



Lana Dews - December 30, 2015 at 10:45 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



December 30, 2015 at 10:34 AM

BG

“ One of the best there ever was. He will truly be missed.

Brian Goodman - December 30, 2015 at 09:46 AM

PP

“ Phyllis and girls, I am so sorry about Fremon's passing. I thought so much of him as well as Phyllis and the girls. Fremon was always joking and always had a smile on his face. Rest in Peace Fremon.



Pat Puckette - December 30, 2015 at 08:42 AM

DB

“ *Dot Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Dot Brooks - December 30, 2015 at 07:27 AM

JP

*Deepest sympathy to Phyllis and the family. You are in our prayers as
you mourn Fremons loss and celebrate his life.*

Pat and Joan Prest

Joan Prest - December 31, 2015 at 10:46 AM

RS

“ *I drove for Fremon a couple of times at Callaway. He was one of the
best fabricators I have ever seen. Condolences to the entire family.*
Ricky Seay

Ricky Seay - December 29, 2015 at 08:07 PM

CD

“ *Carlton & Linda Dalton*



Carlton & Linda Dalton - December 29, 2015 at 05:25 PM

JF

“ *REST IN PEACE!!! GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILY AND LOVED ONES!!!*



JOYCE D. FISHER - December 29, 2015 at 04:45 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .*



December 29, 2015 at 02:41 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .*



December 29, 2015 at 01:47 PM

RC

“ *Ronnie & Theresa Layne Crouch lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Ronnie & Theresa Layne Crouch - December 29, 2015 at 01:22 PM

TC

“ Theresa Crouch lit a candle in memory of
Fremont Arthur Treadway



Theresa Crouch - December 29, 2015 at 01:18 PM

MN

“ Marc and Elsie Vigneau and Marie Buchanan,
Nonnie purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for
the family of Fremont Arthur Treadway .



Marc and Elsie Vigneau and Marie Buchanan, Nonnie -
December 29, 2015 at 01:09 PM

HR

“ Grew up with the Treadways.....Fremont will be miss by all--
Thanks----Harlow Reynolds,Lynchburg, Va.---

Harlow Reynolds - December 29, 2015 at 12:07 PM



“ I haven't seen Mr. Treadway on years but
both our families were members of the Lynch
Station Ruritan Club and we were neighbors.
When I heard that he knew Richard Petty who
was one of my boyhood heroes, I would ask
him to tell some stories and he would oblige. I do remember his
laugh because he laughed a lot. RIP.



Michael Reaves - December 29, 2015 at 11:30 AM

AK

“ Thoughts & Prayers for the Family..Alice Faye Krantz Keesee



ALICE KEESEE - December 29, 2015 at 09:28 AM

WH

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers

Wanda Kay Arthur- Harris

Wanda A. Harris - December 29, 2015 at 09:24 AM



“ Memories 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



December 29, 2015 at 09:14 AM

GA

“ Gary,Lisa, and Anita purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



Gary,Lisa, and Anita - December 29, 2015 at 09:05 AM

ST

“ I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of such a kind and gentle man. I have many fond childhood memories spent with Fremon’s family and of times riding around on the back of his pickup truck with his daughters. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Sherri Southern Toney, Summerfield, NC



Sherri Toney - December 29, 2015 at 08:11 AM

KH

“ Kenneth Hudson lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



kenneth hudson - December 29, 2015 at 08:05 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .



December 29, 2015 at 07:37 AM

EH

“ Prayers sent out. From Edward Hodges family



Edward and carol Hodges - December 29, 2015 at 12:49 AM

DH

“ Trudy, Tamera, Susanne, Shelly and Dale and families. It took the wind out of us when we found out Fremon had passed away. He was a wonderful man, husband, Father grandfather and a wonderful friend to many. We were so glad we came down Christmas Day and spent some time with him and all of you. I can hear him, Billy and my brotherinlaw David Tyree when they got together. They had a good old time together. When I first meet Fremon he called me Daisy Pearl. He will be missed terribly. We love each and everyone of you. Billy and Daisy Lynchburg Va.

Daisy Hill - December 28, 2015 at 10:15 PM

RM

“ Ricky Mann lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Ricky Mann - December 28, 2015 at 09:08 PM



“ Jo Ann Midkiff lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Jo Ann Midkiff - December 28, 2015 at 09:00 PM



Hugh & I are so very sorry for your loss. Fremon & Hugh solved/created a lot of mechanical problems in the shop. Fremon will be missed.

Jo Ann Midkiff - December 28, 2015 at 09:03 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Fremon Arthur Treadway .*



December 28, 2015 at 08:59 PM



“ *MARVIN A JR & JANICE FARMER lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



MARVIN A JR & JANICE FARMER - December 28, 2015 at 08:46 PM



our prayers are with you and your family following the loss of your love one. I HAD THE PLEASURE OF TALKING WITH FREMMON ON A FEW OCCASIONS, HE WAS ALWAYS KIND AND LOVED HIS FAMILY ABOVE ALL

MARVIN A JR - December 28, 2015 at 08:49 PM



“ *Love and prayers to the Treadway family. Much love to you all. Crystal Gazoni*



crystal gazoni - December 28, 2015 at 08:46 PM

JH

“ *Jamie And Kim Hodges lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Jamie and Kim Hodges - December 28, 2015 at 08:42 PM

JE

“ *My heart goes out to the family and friends
Me and John and Kaylee had only known him for a couple months
but he has always been sweet and kind to us
Him tinkering or the amazing stories he told us about the cars he's
built or the things he has made
U held a special place in our hearts Freemon
And we will always cherish the laughs we have had with u even if it
was a short period of knowing u
Everytime I put up my star shower I'll think of u still haven't counted
all the lights but now u will see them in heaven*

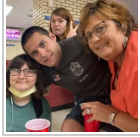
Jen - December 28, 2015 at 08:25 PM

DB

“ *Dru & Jerry Barbee lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Dru & Jerry Barbee - December 28, 2015 at 07:56 PM



“ *Hope Meeks lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Hope Meeks - December 28, 2015 at 07:49 PM

KH

“ *Keith & Mary Hall lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Keith & Mary Hall - December 28, 2015 at 07:35 PM

DG

“ *Donna Goodman lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Donna Goodman - December 28, 2015 at 07:21 PM

GS

“ *Greg & Rita Scott lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Greg & Rita Scott - December 28, 2015 at 06:41 PM

MT

“ Mike & Kim Towler lit a candle in memory of
Fremont Arthur Treadway



Mike & Kim Towler - December 28, 2015 at 06:37 PM



“ Prayers to everyone as you deal with your
loss.



Martha Campbell - December 28, 2015 at 05:58 PM

RC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I
remember many many childhood memories
on Avondale drive spending time with your
family always felt like home love you all



Rhonda Reese Craig - December 28, 2015 at 05:53 PM

KH

“ Kim Hammond lit a candle in memory of
Fremont Arthur Treadway



Kim Hammond - December 28, 2015 at 05:32 PM

MK

“ *Melinda Krantz Kirby lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Melinda Krantz Kirby - December 28, 2015 at 04:46 PM

EB

“ *Lucille and family,*

*We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our
thoughts and prayers.*

Love,

Edwin & Sue Blackstock



Edwin & Sue Blackstock - December 28, 2015 at 04:34 PM

JR

“ *Janet And Phillip Ray lit a candle in memory
of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Janet and Phillip Ray - December 28, 2015 at 04:25 PM

JR

*Janet and Phillip sent the candle, thinking of all of you and
remembering what a great uncle he was. Keeping him in our hearts.*

Janet and Phillip Ray - December 28, 2015 at 04:26 PM

FF

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Treadway family at this time of sorrow. May God be with you all and give you peace, comfort, and strength in the coming days.* ”



Faith Burgess Francis - December 28, 2015 at 04:21 PM

HL

“ *Heather Le lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway* ”



Heather Le - December 28, 2015 at 04:21 PM

LM

“ *Lisa Shelton Moore lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway* ”



Lisa Shelton Moore - December 28, 2015 at 03:24 PM

LM

Sending many thoughts and prayers to the Treadway family. Fremon always treated me like a part of the family and could always make us laugh.

Lisa Shelton Moore - December 28, 2015 at 03:27 PM

LD

“ I am so sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.
GOD be with each and everyone, he will see you through.
Linda Dalton



Linda Dalton - December 28, 2015 at 03:04 PM

TD

“ Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.
Going to miss Fremon here at AltaVista Motors.

Teresa Cox David



Teresa David - December 28, 2015 at 10:58 AM

SP

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

Sheila Pippin - December 28, 2015 at 09:40 AM

JW

“ Jason And Bobbie Wade lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Jason and Bobbie Wade - December 28, 2015 at 09:10 AM

BW

Praying for you all. May the God of comfort embrace you during this difficult time. In His love, Bobbie Wade

Bobbie Wade - December 28, 2015 at 09:13 AM

MC

“ *God bless and comfort you. Praying for you.*

Mac Calhoun - December 28, 2015 at 08:34 AM

MB

“ *Memories of Freemon go way back to days we attended church at Perrow's Chapel with Freemon and his family (parents and siblings). Our deepest sympathy to all of the family.*
Melba and Bobby

Melba Blanks - December 28, 2015 at 07:51 AM

EP

“ *Eddie Puckette lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Eddie Puckette - December 28, 2015 at 07:40 AM

EP

*To the Treadway Family :
So sorry to hear about Freeman. May the Lord help you all find comfort during this time. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Eddie Puckette - December 28, 2015 at 07:43 AM

CW

“ *Carroll And Gwenda Willard lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway*



Carroll and Gwenda Willard - December 28, 2015 at 07:32 AM

TW

“ Tommy Walker lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway



Tommy Walker - December 28, 2015 at 03:49 AM

MT

“ Marjorie Tippett lit a candle in memory of
Fremon Arthur Treadway



Marjorie Tippett - December 27, 2015 at 06:34 PM

KC

So many happy memories of Uncle Fremon. We will miss him here and look forward to seeing him again in heaven. We are keeping you in our hearts and praying for the Lord to comfort you and give you grace during this difficult time.
Kim Caltagirone and family

Kim Caltagirone - December 29, 2015 at 01:02 PM

AP

“ Anita Freeman Phillips lit a candle in memory
of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Anita Freeman Phillips - December 27, 2015 at 06:34 PM

HS

“ Heidi Stallings-Perry lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Heidi Stallings-Perry - December 27, 2015 at 05:27 PM

SB

“ Scott And Mona Bennett lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Scott and Mona Bennett - December 27, 2015 at 05:13 PM

AL

praying that you always find peace and comfort in the days ahead. Fremon was one of the good guys

alene - December 30, 2015 at 11:27 AM

EE

“ Eugene & Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Fremon Arthur Treadway



Eugene & Mary Edmonds - December 27, 2015 at 03:22 PM

AL

so sorry to hear Fremons death. fond memories of him when he would visit Raymond Anderson at his shop in Gretna. he was a good friend to Raymond and I appreciated that is Raymond grew up and learned how to build race cars. may God comfort your family in this time of our loss.

alene - December 29, 2015 at 08:52 AM

MB

My thoughts and prayers are with you all...may all of your loving memories bring you comfort and peace during the coming days. We have lost a giant...God has gained an angel, he's waited for, with open arms. God bless you all...Love, Marie Buchanan, (Seth & Taylor's Nonnie)

marie buchanan - December 29, 2015 at 12:07 PM

BW

condolences to the family,used to go see Fremon with my daddy as he built a 69 chevelle for Worley lumber company.he was so talented and was such a character.i"m gonna miss him.Bobby Worley Jr.

bobby worley - January 01, 2016 at 08:29 PM