



John Derrill Dawson

March 2, 1943 - November 1, 2017

John Derrill Dawson, 74, of 2492 Harmony Road, Long Island died Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of Nancy Creasy Dawson for fifty-five years.

He was born March 2, 1943 in Pittsylvania County, a son of the late Robert Raymond Dawson and Lucille Compton Dawson. He was of the Baptist faith and a retired employee of Burlington Industries of over 42 years. John loved deer hunting, fishing, his dog Daisy and four wheeling.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Melissa Jefferson and her husband Cale of Gretna and Pam Simpson and her husband Jerold of Altavista; one brother, Charles Dawson and his wife Gearleen of Long Island; one sister, Brenda Hackworth and her husband Lonnie of Evington; two grandchildren, Dustin Johnson and his wife Lenzey and Nathan Jefferson and special friends Sam Irby and Wayne Brumfield.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Jerry Simpson; a sister, Patsy Jones; and a brother, Clark Dawson.

A funeral service will be conducted at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the Altavista Church of God of Prophecy by Pastor Whitfield Mayton with interment to follow in Green Lawn Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m., Friday at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at the residence.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider The American Cancer Society, 2050 Langhorne Rd., Ste. 201, Lynchburg, VA 24501.

Cemetery Details

Green Lawn Cemetery

810 Country Club Road
Hurt, VA 24563

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

NOV 4. 3:00 PM (ET)

Church of God of Prophecy
914 9th Street
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Marian lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Marian - February 15, 2018 at 12:02 PM

DS

“ *Melissa, so sorry to hear about your father. Give Nathan a hug for us. We miss you all so much. If we can be of any help please let us know.
Love you, Dick Doris and family*

Dick and Doris Short - November 10, 2017 at 10:35 AM

EC

“ *Ellyn Cox lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Ellyn Cox - November 03, 2017 at 05:53 PM



“ *Karen Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Karen Jones - November 03, 2017 at 04:46 PM

CL

“ Cecilia Jones Laws lit a candle in memory of
John Derrill Dawson



cecilia Jones Laws - November 03, 2017 at 03:42 PM

WB

“ We are So Sorry for the Loss of your Loved
One!
Derrill was a Great Man and a Wonderful
Friend!!
Derrill will be Missed So Much!
Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you all at this time of Sorrow!!
Wayne and Judy Brumfield
Dylan Lecik



Wayne Brumfield - November 03, 2017 at 12:45 PM

JF

“ JOYCE D FISHER lit a candle in memory of
John Derrill Dawson



JOYCE D FISHER - November 03, 2017 at 10:31 AM

GG

“ *Gwen Dawson Goggin lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Gwen Dawson Goggin - November 03, 2017 at 06:59 AM

BH

“ *Brandi Harris lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Brandi Harris - November 02, 2017 at 08:19 PM

MW

“ *Mike & Jo Ann Weeks lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Mike & Jo Ann Weeks - November 02, 2017 at 07:11 PM

HC

“ *After working with you for 38 years you became more like a brother and I'll miss you like one.*

Howard Crews

Howard Crews - November 02, 2017 at 05:47 PM

KB

“ *Kim & Rickey Betterton lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Kim & Rickey Betterton - November 02, 2017 at 03:58 PM

BD

“ *Billy & Diane Puckette Davis lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



Billy & Diane Puckette Davis - November 02, 2017 at 03:57 PM

CH

“ *Connie Payne Hall lit a candle in memory of John Derrill Dawson*



connie payne hall - November 02, 2017 at 02:21 PM