



John William Robertson

January 20, 1926 - July 18, 2016

John William Robertson of Hurt passed away on Monday, July 18, 2016 at the age of 90. He was born on January 20, 1926 to his parents, John Robert Robertson and Mary Emma Lewis Robertson who predeceased him. He was also predeceased by his wife, Lettie Mae Gregory Robertson; his brothers, Raleigh Robertson, Robert Robertson, and George Robertson; and his sister, Josephine Robertson Keen.

He is survived by his sister, Margaret Robertson Johnson of Hurt; his sons, Leon Robertson and his wife Faye of Hurt, Wayne Robertson of Danville, Michael Robertson and his wife Donna and Morris Robertson and his wife Patsy all of Hurt; his daughters, Carole Jane Robertson Madden of Hurt and Nancy Robertson Barker and her husband Dennis of Gretna; ten grandchildren, Earl Robertson, Curtis Robertson, Michelle Lumpkins, Larry Robertson, Cynthia Dudley, Angie Barker, Denise Barker, Starr Boley, Danielle Lewis, and Keith Madden; nineteen great grandchildren and seven nieces and nephews.

He was the owner and operator of Robertson Lumber Company for many years before passing it onto his sons Leon, Michael, and Morris. He began his business in May of 1948. He snaked logs out of the woods with his horses Toby and Nancy. Having been a tobacco farmer in his early years, he always liked raising a big garden. He also liked being with family and friends,

especially at big Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. He served in World War II in the Pacific in the U.S. Navy and wished to be buried in his old Navy uniform. He was also a charter member of the Motley Sportsman's Club.

A graveside service will be conducted at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 21, 2016 by the Rev. Butch Boley at the Gregory Family Cemetery located at 16181 Rockford School Rd., Hurt.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, July 20 at the residence at 1889 Pocket Rd., Hurt.

Cemetery Details

Gregory Family Cemetery

16181 Rockford School Road
Hurt, VA 24563

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **20**. 12:00 AM.

The residence at 1889 Pocket Rd., Hurt, VA 24563

Graveside Service

JUL **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Gregory Family Cemetery
16181 Rockford School Road
Hurt, VA 24563

Tribute Wall

DT

“ *It is with great sadness that we learn of Mr. Robertson's passing. Our thoughts are with each of you. David and Linda Tucker*

David and Linda Tucker - July 29, 2016 at 10:32 AM

SS

“ *Sharon Short lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson*



sharon short - July 22, 2016 at 12:23 PM

MM

“ *May God bless you during this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Mary Moses-Hicks - July 21, 2016 at 09:25 PM

SM

“ *To Michael, Morris, Carole Jane and Larry and all family members, please accept our sincere condolences on the passing of your Dad. I only met your Dad one time at Hardees when Carole Jane brought him there for supper one evening a few years ago. I have always been amazed at those people who have a vision and turn it into a business that lasts to this day. Your Dad was one these people. Rest in peace John Robertson.*

*Steve & Celia Morton
Hurt, VA*

Steve Morton - July 21, 2016 at 08:14 PM

AH

“ My sincere thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during this difficult time and in the days ahead.

Amy Sellick Hockaday - July 21, 2016 at 01:39 PM

GC

“ Our deepest sympathy in your loss. Prayers of great memories, comfort and strength to you all. Hold close to God's promises. Greg, Jill and Trevor Conner

Greg Conner - July 21, 2016 at 10:32 AM

BW

“ Deepest sympathy for family. May GOD bless you during this trying time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Reecie and Bunny Witt

Bunny Witt - July 20, 2016 at 06:37 PM

WC

“ Mr Robertson was truly a blessing to know. When I worked for Family Dollar in Hurt he was a daily customer. I enjoyed having conversations with him about the history of this area. Often times if he was headed into Altavista he'd bring me a hot dog back for my lunch. When I had surgery on my hand he prepared lunch and brought it to me at home on several occasions. Yes, John Robertson will truly be missed. He was a wonderful friend to me.

Wynona Childress - July 20, 2016 at 05:35 PM

WC

“ *Mr Robertson was truly one of a kind. When I worked for Family Dollar in Hurt he was a daily customer. During my time there we became friends. I enjoyed the history of this area he shared with me. Quite often if he was headed into Altavista he'd bring me a hot dog back. When I had surgery on my hand, he prepared lunch on several occasions and brought it to me at home. Yes, John Robertson was a wonderful friend to me.*

Wynona Childress - July 20, 2016 at 05:28 PM

RR

“ *Roger Robertson lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson*



Roger Robertson - July 20, 2016 at 05:27 PM

TH

“ *Tommy&Shirley Hutcherson lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson*



Tommy&Shirley Hutcherson - July 20, 2016 at 05:26 PM

KH

“ *Kim Hammond lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson*



Kim Hammond - July 20, 2016 at 03:34 PM

CP

“ Chandler Concrete Altavista Plant lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson



Chandler Concrete Altavista Plant - July 20, 2016 at 01:41 PM

CP

“ It was with great sadness we learned of Mr. Robertson's passing. He was a dear man and we thoroughly enjoyed having him at Valley View. The staff and residents will greatly miss him.

Cecelia Peters, Assisted Living Administrator, Valley View Retirement Community

Cecelia Peters - July 20, 2016 at 12:48 PM

CC

“ Clara Childress lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson



Clara Childress - July 20, 2016 at 10:13 AM

CC

So sorry to hear of Mr. Robertson's passing. He was a fine gentleman. Prayers for the family.

Clara Childress - July 20, 2016 at 10:15 AM

CF

Sorry to hear about Mr. Robertson. prayers for the family.

charles Farmer - July 20, 2016 at 08:09 PM

CD

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you during this time of grief.

Carlton & Linda Dalton

Carlton & Linda Dalton - July 19, 2016 at 09:13 PM

TW

“ Taylor Wagner lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson



taylor wagner - July 19, 2016 at 08:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John William Robertson .



July 19, 2016 at 08:33 PM

PB

“ Pat Rice Barksdale lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson



Pat Rice Barksdale - July 19, 2016 at 07:20 PM

BA

“ *Bill&Betty Adkins lit a candle in memory of John William Robertson*



Bill&Betty Adkins - July 19, 2016 at 06:12 PM

SB

“ *Family,*

We are so sorry for your loss. John was a fine man and will be missed. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Love & Prayers,

Edwin & Sue Blackstock



Sue Blackstock - July 19, 2016 at 05:56 PM

CH

“ *Sorry for your loss. Will be praying for you all*



carol and edward hodes - July 19, 2016 at 04:14 PM

DS

“ *Dick, Doris and family.*



Dick and Doris Short - July 19, 2016 at 04:02 PM

JM

“ *Very sorry for you loss. Prayers for all.*

Jennifer moon - July 19, 2016 at 03:58 PM

MN

“ *Carol Jane, Danielle and Keith. I'm so very to hear about the passing of your Dad and Grandfather. I know he was a wonderful man. Prayers for all of you. May his memories live on in you forever.*

Michelle Nolan - July 19, 2016 at 03:50 PM

BR

“ *Barry D Rowland sent a virtual gift in memory of John William Robertson*



Barry D Rowland - July 19, 2016 at 01:51 PM