



John Everette Tucker

November 26, 1969 - April 8, 2023

It is with great sadness that the family of John Everette Tucker announces his passing on Saturday, April 8, 2023.

Born in Lynchburg, Virginia on November 26, 1969, John was the third born child of Malcolm (Buddy) Tucker and Mary Bennett Humphreys. John grew up in the heart of the town of Altavista. After graduating in 1987 from Altavista High School, he attended Central Virginia Community College and The American College, making his career in the financial industry for more than 30 years.

He met his wife Denise in 1986, and knew the week that they met that they would marry. They spent 35 years building their home, their life, and their family together. They were blessed with a daughter, Faith Mari'. To say John was a dedicated father would be a huge understatement. He loved her more than all the world and to be certain, the feeling is mutual. He found great joy in being a girl dad, a dance dad, a youth group dad, and a nurse dad, fiercely loving all of his "adopted" daughters and sons along the way. They gained a loved and valued son when Faith Mari' married her husband, Casey. The latest of blessings to their family was the birth of their grandson, Cooper. John wore many hats, but his role as Papaw was clearly one of his most cherished.

John found peace and solace in the great outdoors enjoying a golf cart or

truck ride through the orchard, "on the fancy road", or over the mountain whenever possible. He was a farmer, an avid hunter, a fisherman and loved spending time outdoors with family and friends solving the problems of this world, laughing (crying), sharing stories of days gone by and of dreams for the future.

He loved contemporary Christian music, listened to it daily, often playing it in the greenhouse for his plants. It was very common to hear music blaring as he sang, literally, at the top of his lungs. He was a man of unwavering faith and conviction and was as equally concerned about the salvation of his fellow man as he was of his own. Throughout his life, John's roles were countless but first and foremost he was a child of God.

We were blessed to learn many valuable lessons from John. Pray every day but never, ever forget to pray before leaving on a trip and before returning home. You gotta ride this ride (of life). Put your immediate focus on two days - today and tomorrow. You're not going one second before your time. If you're having dessert, eat it first. No one cares if your socks don't match, and to whom much is given, much is expected.

John's antics were legendary and those who knew him have their own stories to tell. He was nothing if not honest. He said what he meant and he meant what he said. His body of this world may have struggled, but his spirit was stubbornly strong.

Evident by a large extended family of relations and friends from across the globe and from every walk of life, John never knew a stranger. His heart of service was obvious in his more than 30 years of dedicated volunteer service and leadership with the Altavista Fire Company, serving first as treasurer then as Chief of the department for 18 years. He considered it both an honor and a privilege to serve the town and the county in this way. His service extended far

beyond Campbell County in his years of work through deployment as a national first responder with the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Team.

His spirit lives on in the hearts of his family and in every burst of fireworks, OIB wave, mountain sunset, and presentation of The Lion King at Disney World. He is also survived by his father and step-mother, Buddy and Marie Tucker, sisters, Lenette McClelland (Tim), Tina Winston (Keith), brother, Bennett Tucker, eight nieces and nephews, parents in law, Lois and Dennis Reynolds, his faithful dog, Shadow, and countless friends who were more like family.

In his memory, donations may be made to Greenfield Baptist Church 384 Fairmont Road, Gretna, VA 24557 or Altavista Volunteer Fire Company, PO Box 208 Altavista, VA 24517.

Our family wishes to extend a special thank you to Dr. Joshua Morales, McLendon McGhee NP, and the kindhearted nurses and staff of Blue Ridge Cancer Care, to Dr. Niharika Mettu, Dr. Peter Alan, and Dr. Dan Blazer of Duke Cancer Center, and to our amazing hospice nurse, Mary Heath, whose care and compassion have been beyond measure and all of whom left no stone unturned in helping John receive life extending treatment.

Knowing him, loving him, and being loved by him has truly been a gift. While we cannot imagine this world without him in it, we look forward to being together again, joyfully, on the other side.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2023 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Altavista Fire Company with the Rev. R. G. Rowland officiating.

Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista is in charge of

arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **15**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Altavista Fire Company
1280b Main St
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of John Everett Tucker



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 14, 2023 at 03:38 PM



May you rest in peace my brother

Charles Rosser - April 15, 2023 at 10:50 AM

MA

“ Marian sent a virtual gift in memory of John Tucker



Marian - May 10, 2023 at 09:58 PM

MA

“ Marian lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



Marian - May 10, 2023 at 09:57 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Service



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 20, 2023 at 04:08 PM



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Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 20, 2023 at 12:01 PM



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Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 18, 2023 at 03:22 PM



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Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 18, 2023 at 01:09 PM

AC

“ Deepest condolences to Denise and Faith Mari. John left a glorious mark on Altavista and he will be sorely missed. May his memory be a blessing. Amy & Adrian Compton

Amy Compton - April 15, 2023 at 05:26 PM

VW

“ vickie Williams lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



vickie Williams - April 15, 2023 at 04:23 PM

SP

“ Samuel Darlene Puckett lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



Samuel and Darlene Puckett - April 15, 2023 at 02:23 PM

LR

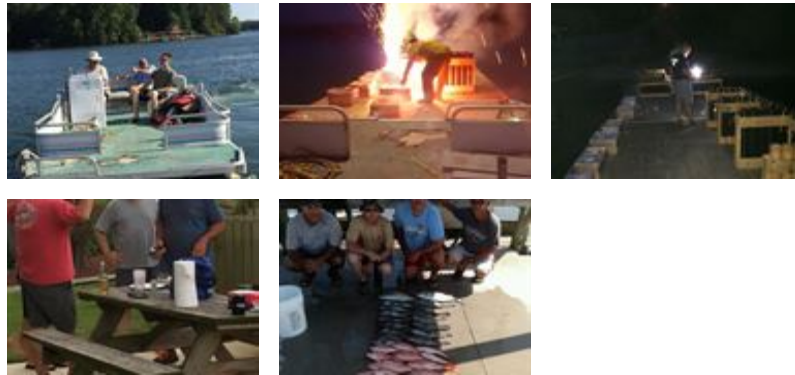
“ *Larry Nadine Roach lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Larry and Nadine Roach - April 15, 2023 at 01:29 PM



“ *100 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - April 14, 2023 at 09:34 AM

DR

“ *Our sincere sympathy to each family member on the loss of one so dear to so many people. May you be comforted by good memories of time spent together over the years. John will not be forgotten. Praying for each during the difficult days ahead. Darlene & Billy Robertson*

Darlene M Robertson - April 13, 2023 at 01:54 PM

AF

“ Amy Franklin lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



Amy Robertson Franklin - April 12, 2023 at 04:47 PM

PV

“ Paul VanKerckhove lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



Paul R VanKerckhove - April 12, 2023 at 10:09 AM

NM

“ What a wonderful person. Your family will be our thoughts and prayer. Bless you all.

Nancy Callis Mitchell - April 11, 2023 at 11:19 PM

MW

“ Mike Jo Ann Weeks lit a candle in memory of John Tucker



Mike & Jo Ann Weeks - April 11, 2023 at 08:30 PM

MH

“ To this day, John remains one of my all time favorite dads. Thank you for allowing me the pleasure of teaching Faith Mari many many years ago. ❤️❤️
Love to you in the coming days.
Hugs and lots of love. ❤️

Marlo Henderson - April 11, 2023 at 06:53 PM

MF

“ I am so sorry to hear the passing of John. I have known him from birth. A good man (they are hard to find).He will be missed by everyone who knew him.



Margie Freeman - April 11, 2023 at 05:43 PM

MA

“ Although we didn't know him personally, we knew of John through our membership at Greenfield Baptist Church, and he has been in our prayers throughout his lengthy illness. He sounds like a wonderful person and will surely be missed by all those who knew and loved him. Our thoughts and prayers are with John's family during this difficult time. May God bless and comfort you and give you His peace that surpasses all understanding. His grace is sufficient for us all. With heartfelt sympathy and deepest condolences.

Martha and Jeff Abbott - April 11, 2023 at 05:17 PM

MT

“ To know Tucker is to love him! I had the honor of getting to know John through FNB. So many good memories and of course lots of laughs. I just mentioned to my work family today, WOW what an impact John had on the community and so many friends and family. What a testimony he was through this trial. I pray I would be a "John Tucker" My prayers are with the family during this difficult time and I pray the Lord will provide peace and the best memories to sustain you till you meet again. That we know!!

Melody Thompson

Melody Thompson - April 11, 2023 at 01:45 PM

LP

“ Buddy, Marie, and the entire Tucker family, My deepest sympathy for the family and many friends. Prayers for you ALL. Lisa Daniel Paschall and Curtis



Lisa Daniel Paschall - April 11, 2023 at 11:06 AM

MI

“ I send my heartfelt condolences to John's family. He was a dear childhood friend. Although life led us in different directions, I have thought of him often and will always remember him fondly.



Myra Peavey Ingram - April 11, 2023 at 10:42 AM

MC

My heart aches right now to hear of the passing of John. He had such a sweet spirit and will be missed.

Marilyn Crews - April 12, 2023 at 10:17 AM

GW

“ To Denise and Family, We all know that Altavista and the surrounding communities lost a great servant with the passing of this great man. "Great" because he genuinely CARED for his town and community! He was everywhere and helped in everything and anybody! I know his heart and soul was created to serve and help and spread joy. I'm so sorry for your loss. Sending condolences from myself and my DaddyJabo.



Glenda Wood - April 11, 2023 at 09:58 AM

SH

“ As chief of the Gladys Vol. Fire Dept. I have worked with John on the fireground , and in numerous meetings for 12 years. Truly a honor to have known him , worked with him and to have learned from him. Scott Horseman

Scott Horseman - April 11, 2023 at 09:39 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of John Everette Tucker.



April 11, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Everette Tucker.*



April 11, 2023 at 08:26 AM



“ *I do not know John but with everything I have heard and read it is my great loss not to have known him. My prayers are for your family. May God wrap his loving arms around you all. In Christian love. Laura Rowland*

Laura Rowland - April 11, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the Family and Fire Family. The loss of John has hit us all. I was a Dispatcher for Campbell County 911 John was always nice when he called dispatch. He was friendly and Professional. He will be missed by all.
RIP JOHN
Cathy Maddox
Evington Virginia*



Cathy Maddox - April 11, 2023 at 01:29 AM

SD

“ *Denise and Faith Mari',
Sorry about the loss of your loved one. May your special memories
of wonderful times together help you through the difficult days
ahead. Thinking of you during your loss!
With deepest sympathy!*

Sandra Dalton - April 10, 2023 at 07:25 PM

JH

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family during this
difficult time. John was such a caring man in
our community. We always enjoyed his witty
personality. He will certainly be missed.*



Judith Hedgpeth - April 10, 2023 at 07:19 PM

JH

“ *Sending prayers and love! May the Lord
comfort you during this difficult time!*



Jamie & Kim Hodges - April 10, 2023 at 04:09 PM

MT

“ *Michael Towler lit a candle in memory of John
Tucker*



Michael Towler - April 10, 2023 at 04:04 PM

MK

“ *Melinda Krantz-Kirby lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Melinda Krantz-Kirby - April 10, 2023 at 03:26 PM

AG

“ *Angie Gledhill lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Angie Gledhill - April 10, 2023 at 03:11 PM

LH

“ *John will be missed so much. Love to Denise and Faith Mari.*



Laura Holt - April 10, 2023 at 02:40 PM

TH

“ *Praying for John's family and many friends. May you find comfort in the Lord and your special memories.* 🙏🙏

Tammie Hodges and James Harman

Tammie J. Hodges - April 10, 2023 at 02:11 PM

GC

“ *Glenna W Carr lit a candle in memory of John Everette Tucker*



Glenna W Carr - April 10, 2023 at 01:38 PM

SB

“ *Family, We are so sorry for the loss of your precious John. He was a special man, loved by all. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Edwin & Sue*



Susan Blackstock - April 10, 2023 at 12:50 PM

PM

“ *We are so saddened to learn of the passing of John. John was such a nice, kind and very special person. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. We pray that God will give you His peace and comfort as only He can do. Blessings, Don, Patti and John Morton*

Patti Morton - April 10, 2023 at 11:54 AM

LM

“ *I'm not local. So I didn't have years of memories and time with John. I have heard so many stories about him when he was growing up with Ken. They have a lot of memories!!! They were good times. I found out quickly if you didn't want the truth not to ask John. I loved that about him. When we bought his childhood house, he told us lots of stories about "Alice". He was a good man and will be missed for all who were blessed to have known him!! Prayers for the family!!!*

Linda L Miller - April 10, 2023 at 11:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Everette Tucker.*



April 10, 2023 at 11:00 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss.*
Charlie & Anita Rowland



Anita/Charlie Rowland - April 10, 2023 at 10:44 AM



“ *Elaine Shelton lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Elaine Shelton - April 10, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss*



Mary Pickrel - April 10, 2023 at 09:12 AM

DM

“ *Dennis Miller lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Dennis Shirley Miller - April 10, 2023 at 08:57 AM

GR

“ *Geneieve Rowland lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Geneieve Rowland - April 10, 2023 at 08:39 AM

NR

“ *Nancy Roark lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Nancy Roark - April 10, 2023 at 08:13 AM

CD

“ *Denise and Family, I am so sorry for the passing of John, but know he is in a better place with no pain. My thoughts, prayers and love are with you all!*

Carolyn deBernard - April 10, 2023 at 08:11 AM

PT

“ *I believe God calls some people to dedicate their life to serving others-John accepted that call-Well done John-fly high,totally healed, my friend!*



patsy trent - April 10, 2023 at 07:57 AM

RW

“ *Ruth Woods lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Ruth Woods - April 10, 2023 at 06:32 AM

VC

“ *John was a great guy, he will be missed by this town.*



Vickie Cocke - April 10, 2023 at 12:32 AM

TM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family of John Tucker. John will be missed.*

Tara Morgan - April 09, 2023 at 10:23 PM

SM

“ *Sterling Monroe lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Sterling Monroe - April 09, 2023 at 08:48 PM



“ *Joyce Wade lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



Joyce Wade - April 09, 2023 at 06:13 PM

HS

“ *H.Ray Walker lit a candle in memory of John Tucker*



H.Ray Walker Sr - April 09, 2023 at 05:40 PM

TB

“ *Denise, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. John never met a stranger and he always shared a smile and hello. ❤️*



Terri Bryant - April 09, 2023 at 04:55 PM

TT

“ John and I first met working together in 1986 and he was a good friend from the start. I'm so grateful I had the privilege to know him. Always fun and hard working, he made a lasting impression and I'll never forget his kindness. My most sincere condolences to the family and many friends he leaves behind. I know he is in a wonderful place now.



timothy thomas - April 09, 2023 at 11:53 AM

MM

“ Denise and Family. I am so saddened by Johns passing. While I lived in Altavista John and you and Faith Marie were such good friends. I have so many great memories spending time with you all. You were all so good to Michael. May you smile through your tears as your memories flood your days. Prayers for you all
Maxine Mobtague

maxine Montague - April 09, 2023 at 10:12 AM

PP

“ So sorry for your loss. My thought and prayers go out to the family in this time of sorrow.



Pat Puckette - April 09, 2023 at 09:30 AM

LB

“ I am so sorry to learn of his passing. I worked with John at the Chrisman Group, Life of Virginia many years ago. John was fine man and was devoted to his community. Sending peace and may God's love embrace his family during this difficult time.

Linda Brake - April 09, 2023 at 08:02 AM

JW

“ I met John in the 5th grade. It was my first year at Altavista Elementary. As the new kid, I was scared and nervous. On the first day, John asked me if I wanted to be friends. That was John, always a kind soul. I said yes, and I'm glad I did. Such a huge loss. My condolences to the family. May he rest in peace.

Jamie West - April 08, 2023 at 09:08 PM

CS

“ Clarsie & David Strouth lit a candle in memory of John Everette Tucker



Clarsie & David Strouth - April 08, 2023 at 08:40 PM

AF

“ Thinking of each and every member of John's family with love and sympathy. ❤️ John always had goodness in his heart and wanted to serve others. Our community is grieving with you.



Anita Freeman-Phillips - April 08, 2023 at 08:05 PM

ME

“ So sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts & prayers at this difficult time. John was a fine Gentleman!



Mary Edmonds - April 08, 2023 at 08:02 PM

JM

“ Jimmy Marr lit a candle in memory of John Everette Tucker



Jimmy marr - April 08, 2023 at 07:27 PM

LM

“ Knowing that John is no longer suffering brings a little joy to our heart. But saying a final good bye is hard. Faith Marie I know you and your dad shared a great life and loved eating carrot cake together. My prayers are lifted for your whole family. God give you comfort.

Lucy Marshall - April 08, 2023 at 05:28 PM

KT

“ John served the Altavista community for years.. if ever there was a Hero from our town, it's John. Prayers for Denise, Faith and the family. Altavista has lost a great servant. Much love from the Kevin Taylor family



Kim Taylor - April 08, 2023 at 05:05 PM

BR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family, Casey, Faith, Denise may God provide you comfort during this time. John will be missed dearly by the community.



Brittany - April 08, 2023 at 03:56 PM