



Norman Keith Campbell

March 11, 1947 - June 21, 2023

Norman Keith Campbell, 76, of Altavista, known to most as Casey, died peacefully on Wednesday, June 21, at Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg. He fought long and hard for many years, and remained strong and stubborn until the end. Born March 11, 1947 in Whitefish, Montana, Casey was preceded in death by his parents, Lorraine and Keith Campbell; his brother, Jerry Campbell; his parents-in-law, Lucille and Merdith Ewing; sister-in-law, Glennie Ewing; and several beloved furry friends: Nikki, Red, Sebastian, and Diesel, to name a few.

Casey was a kind and gentle man who leaves behind a loving wife of nearly 55 years, Marie Campbell; a son, Jamie Campbell of Altavista, and his fiancée, Betty Hershman of Gretna; a daughter, Carrie Campbell Knutsen, and her husband, Michael Knutsen of Lynchburg, and their dog, Boomer; a grandson, Tony Henriquez of Lynchburg, and his dog, Milo; a brother-in-law, Jimmy Ewing of Altavista; a niece, Brenda Ewing Farnsworth, of Forest, and her family; a nephew, Ricky Ewing, of Lynchburg, and his family; a sister-in-law, Mary Campbell of Escondido, CA; two nieces, Lisa Simpson, of Lebanon, TN, and Lara Perfito, of Escondido, CA, and their families; and a host of precious family members and friends.

As a boy in Montana, Norm enjoyed camping, fishing, and the great outdoors, in general - he even often fondly reminisced about shoveling heaps and heaps

of snow through those intense winters. The Campbell family moved to California sometime in Norm's adolescence where he attended and graduated from Orange Glen High School in Escondido. After high school, Norm was drafted by the US Army and served as a Medic during the Vietnam War. Somewhere along the way during his time in service, the story goes that there were too many Normans and too many Campbells so by using his middle and last initials, K.C., Norm became Casey from then on. In August of 1968, Casey met his Virginia sweetheart, Marie, and they wrote letters to each other for a month while he ended his time in service, stationed at Fort Huachuca, located in Cochise County, Arizona. Casey and Marie were married on Thanksgiving Day, began their life together in Petersburg, VA, and settled in Altavista the next year.

Casey was a member of Penuel Baptist Church and served as a Deacon and was a member of the choir for a period of time. He especially enjoyed fellowship with the Couples Sunday School Class and their Christmas party traditions.

Casey was a determined hard-working man who never failed to provide for his family. He worked at General Electric, Aramark, and spent many back-breaking years installing carpet in the community, a job he loved because it afforded him the opportunity to take something ugly and make it beautiful. In 1977, Casey joined the United States Postal Service where he proudly worked as a Letter Sorting Machine Operator for the majority of his thirty-one year career.

Also in 1977, Casey became a father for the first time when he and Marie welcomed baby boy, James Keith into their hearts and home. Six years later, the Campbell family was completed by the arrival of baby girl, Carrie Elizabeth. Casey was an outstanding father; he was patient and loving, tender and compassionate, and he spoiled both children every chance that he had.

Casey was an excellent story and joke teller. If you were ever a kid in his presence, it's highly likely he "cracked an egg" on your head at least once. He also loved travel, photography, making music, and NASCAR. Most recently he enjoyed jelly beans with his NCIS reruns and Weather Channel segments. He even entertained a daily rendezvous with his Amazon Alexa for updates and giggles.

Casey would give you the shirt off his back and the shoes from his feet. He was as generous as he was accepting, he welcomed you, he loved you, and he did it with an infectious smile.

Condolences may be sent to 184 Eastward Drive, Altavista, VA, 24517. Please consider St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the Lynchburg Humane Society in lieu of flowers.

Friends and family are invited to join us for a floating reception of food and fellowship at the Campbell home from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 24. Please join us at 184 Eastward Drive.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held Sunday, June 25, at 2:00 p.m. at Penuel Baptist Church, 2770 Wards Road, Altavista. The Rev. Dr. Ricky Ewing is presiding. Military honors will be provided by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **24**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Residence
184 Eastward Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Memorial Service

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Penuel Baptist Church
2770 Wards Road
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ 3 files added to the album Memorial Service



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - June 27, 2023 at 12:23 PM

BT

“ Mrs. Campbell,
I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband. My sincere
condolences to you and all of your family.

Becky Rosser Thomas - June 24, 2023 at 07:09 PM

SW

“ Marie, I'm so sorry for your loss. I lost my husband Frank in 2019.
It's not an easy road but it does get better with time. May God
surround you with his love and give you comfort and strength.

Susan O West - June 23, 2023 at 09:59 PM



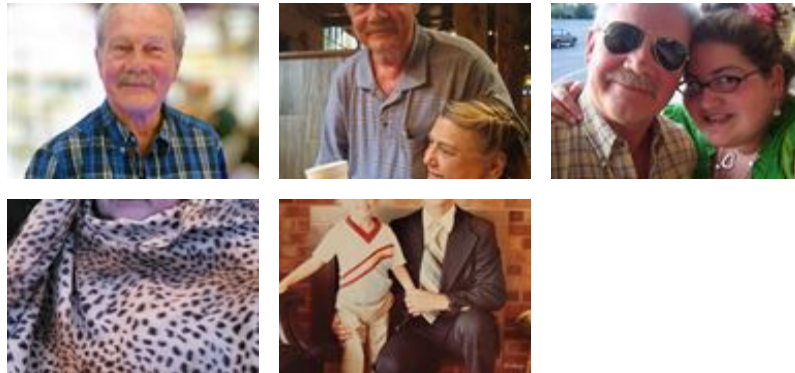
“ Love and Prayers extended to Marie, Jamie,
Carrie and all the family.



Ralph Woods - June 23, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ 170 files added to the album LifeTributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - June 23, 2023 at 10:11 AM

DH

“ Mrs. Campbell was one of my teachers in school and I grew up knowing her family may all love and prayers be with her and her family during this difficult time.

David Hudson - June 23, 2023 at 12:04 AM

BG

“ Marie and family - we are so very sorry for your loss and pray God's hand on you during this difficult time.

Betty Gillespie - June 22, 2023 at 10:22 PM

LM

“ Marie and family.
God has welcomed a saint to his eternal home. My prayers for you and family during this time. May His grace comfort you and give encouragement in the days ahead. God bless you all. I remember hearing Marie speak good things of "Casey" many times. Your friends do care and are praying.

Lucy Marshall - June 22, 2023 at 02:29 PM

AJ

Marie and family,

I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you during this time and give you peace. Avie Johnson

Avie Johnson - June 22, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Keith Campbell.*



June 22, 2023 at 02:09 PM