



## George Hobbs Jr.

December 8, 1929 - April 4, 2019

George Hobbs, Jr. of Blackwater, VA, joined hands with his Lord and Savior on Thursday, April 4, 2019. Junior had lived a wonderfully abundant life of 89 years.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Minnie and George Hobbs of Big Stone Gap; five brothers and one sister; the mother of his children, Helen Hobbs of Blackwater, who gained her wings in 1994. He is survived by his devoted wife Phyllis, daughters, Faye Livesay, Phyllis Davis, Sue Hobbs, Kathy Hobbs (Jimmy Amburgey) and daughter Cindy Taylor (Kenny). George Hobbs (Brenda), also of Blackwater, is his only son. Although his children numbered only six, Junior leaves behind many, many more in all the lives he touched. All Papaw's little ones were his children. Also surviving Junior are six sisters and two brothers.

As the Bible states, to go forth and multiply, Junior leaves a large and loving family to carry on his works. Twenty-one grandchildren, thirty-seven great-grandchildren and twelve great-great grandchildren will hold their Papaw in their hearts forever. "Uncle Junior" is survived by countless nieces and nephews that thought the world of him. In his unforgettable years on this earth, Junior provided parenting to many children in need of love and guidance.

As an avid hunter, fisherman and outdoorsman, Junior taught a multitude of children to hunt, fish and farm the land. Junior, like so many men from southwest Virginia, worked many years underground in the coal mines. Many of the community will remember Junior as their bus driver from when they were children. Papaw nurtured many little ones on his knee Sunday mornings with his wonderful homemade gravy from a cast iron skillet spread over crumbled biscuits made lovingly by Mamaw Phyllis. Junior wore camouflage and blue jeans and always loved his kids.

As Junior prepared for his heavenly home his heart hurt knowing he would leave behind his wife Phyllis and his children who had all spent countless days and nights by his side. His last days were brightened by the outpouring of love from family and friends as they

visited him at the hospital. Junior loved attending auctions with his wife and children. He had followed Slater Auctions for forty years. Danny and Dan brought one of the last smiles to his face and lights in his eyes as they visited him at Holston Valley Medical Center. Until we meet again, "And the winning bidder is Mr. Hobbs!"

Visitation for family and friends will be on Saturday, April 6, from 6 until 8:00 p.m. at Robinette Funeral Home in Blackwater. Funeral services will follow. Graveside services will be in the Hobbs Family Cemetery in Blackwater on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. A Celebration of Life will follow at the Cookhouse, 7088 Canton Road, after the burial. This is the location of the Apple Butter Festival also known as Junior Hobbs' Family Reunion. Please join the family for a meal and sharing of memories in honor of George Hobbs, Jr.

Always Love In Daddy's Hands

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# Events

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**APR**   **Visitation**                      06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Robinette Funeral Home (Blackwater)  
696 A.J.Osborne Hwy, Blackwater, VA, US, 24221

**APR**   **Funeral Service**    08:00PM

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# Comments

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“ He will be greeted by a lot of Hobbs as he goes though those Pearly Gates. His Uncle Huey Hobbs , his wife Leona and 3 of their sons will be there to great him Olen Troy and Ralph Hobbs.He is not alone.

**Brenda Swaggerty** - April 07, 2019 at 10:20 PM

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“ Phyllis and Family, We were so sorry to hear of the passing of Junior. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Junior was a good friend and will be missed. Take care and may God ease your pain and sorrow.

With Love,

Tom Shirley Fisher



**Shirley Morrison Fisher** - April 07, 2019 at 12:44 PM

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“ I will always remember Junior approaching me at my grandson, Robert A. Hobbs, burial at the Hobbs cemetery when Robert was buried. He said, “Bobbie Sue I remember you when you were just a kid”. I had been just a kid when I married Junior’s brother, Charley. I did not remember his face so I asked him which one was he? He told me Junior so I said Hi and that I did remember him. We shook hands and that is the last time I saw him. I did however keep up with his condition through the years through my son Robby. Robby always asked his dad how was Uncle Jun and then Robby kept me informed. I am so sorry for the family’s loss as I know Junior will be a big loss for everyone, but knowing that he knew and accepted Jesus is the greatest gift he could leave you, his family! With all my love and sympathy...Bobbie Sue Hobbs Rosell.



**Bobbie Scarborough Rosell** - April 06, 2019 at 02:10 PM

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“ JBruce Catron lit a candle in memory of George Hobbs Jr.



**JBruce Catron** - April 06, 2019 at 11:55 AM

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“ Billy Joe Hobbs and Susan (fiance) purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of George Hobbs Jr..



**Billy Joe Hobbs and Susan (fiance)** - April 06, 2019 at 10:24 AM

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“ To the Hobbs Family:  
I am so sorry for your loss. Junior was a good friend of mine and he will be missed.  
God Bless him and RIP my friend.

**monty bowen** - April 05, 2019 at 11:47 PM

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“ Dear Phyllis and family I am so sorry about the passing of your father. Although I never knew him very well, My parents (Lay and Lizzie Hart ) always spoke highly of him. Your in my PRAYS and Heart. God Bless You. Dorothy Hart Nichols

**Dorothy Nichols** - April 09, 2019 at 12:56 AM

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“ Praying for all of this family. Love you all so very much. May God be your comfort and peace. Until we meet again, June you will be missed. RIP

**Eleanor Clark** - April 05, 2019 at 11:45 PM

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“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of George Hobbs Jr..



April 05, 2019 at 10:54 PM

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“ We love the Hobbs family and will miss this wonderful man.

**cornbread and janet** - April 05, 2019 at 10:38 PM

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“ Diana Maness lit a candle in memory of George Hobbs Jr.



**Diana Maness** - April 05, 2019 at 09:21 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss

**Diana Maness** - April 05, 2019 at 09:22 PM



“ Prayers for all of the family!

**Londa J. Bowen** - April 06, 2019 at 08:29 AM



“ I'm one of the children who rode the bunker kingdom route. He was an awesome bus driver, one of the few who really cared for his kids. Once there was a time when he came to pick me up, then the bus slid into what we called the herman hole because it was so slick. He had us all get off the bus, until he managed to get it out and bring it to the top of a hill. We all got back on and went on, only to turn around and go home again.

I'm so sorry for your loss.

And I will always remember him with fond memories.

**Betty Bloomer Noe** - April 06, 2019 at 11:40 AM

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Hobbs Jr..



April 05, 2019 at 09:03 PM

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“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Hobbs Jr..



April 05, 2019 at 08:39 PM

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“ Patricia Pennington lit a candle in memory of George Hobbs Jr.



**Patricia Pennington** - April 05, 2019 at 08:03 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George Hobbs Jr..



April 05, 2019 at 04:44 PM