



## Claude Pennington

October 11, 1943 - February 17, 2026

Claude Pennington, 82, of Jonesville, VA, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at Holston Valley Hospital, surrounded by his beloved family.

He was born in Lee County to the late Claude A. Pennington II and Eula Ellen (Jones) Kirk. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his step-father, Ed Kirk and by his step-mother, Jo Pennington.

Claude was a Vietnam Era U.S. Army Veteran who was deployed in Italy. The majority of his career was spent in electronics. He owned and operated CC&S and later retired from the Lee County School System, where he had taught electronics and worked in their networking systems.

Claude was a long time member of Jonesville First United Methodist Church. He was a very talented man of many talents that included things such as machinist, gunsmithing, building late model race car engines, among many other things. He also loved spending time shooting with his friends and family at Kettlefoot and Cherokee Gun Clubs. Above all, he cherished time with his family.

Claude is survived by his wife of 61 years, Christine Pennington; one son, Stephen Pennington and wife, Jennifer, of Nickelsville, VA; two grandchildren,

Stephen Michael Pennington and wife, Jill, of Lebanon, VA and Jarvis Ethan Pennington and his girlfriend, Kaley Sykes, of Nickelsville, VA; two sisters, Elaine Gilbert and husband, Jerry, of Pineville, KY, Kathy Manovich, of Middlesboro, KY; niece, Erin Turley and husband, Wes, of Winchester, KY; and several cousins and great-nieces.

The family will receive friends from 12 until 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 21, at Robinette Funeral Home in Jonesville. The funeral service will begin at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Layne Pennington officiating. Graveside services will follow at Lee Memorial Gardens in Woodway.

Pallbearers will be Stephen Pennington, Jarvis Ethan Pennington, Stephen Michael Pennington, Jeff Vicars, Dink Willis, John Henry Meyers. Honorary pallbearers will be Bill Meyers, Frank DeFore and friends of Kettlefoot and Cherokee Gun Clubs.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting, [www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com](http://www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com). Robinette Funeral Home of Jonesville is serving the Pennington family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **21**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Jonesville)  
146 Maple Drive  
P.O. Box 238  
Jonesville, VA 24263  
(276) 346-1196

## Funeral Service

FEB **21**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Jonesville)  
146 Maple Drive  
P.O. Box 238  
Jonesville, VA 24263  
(276) 346-1196

# Tribute Wall

RJ

“ I just found out about the passing of my friend Claude. Any problem that I ever had on the TV line-he was always there for me. I sure enjoyed being around him. God bless you Christine and Stephen (Family).

*Randall Jessee*

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**Randall Jessee** - February 24 at 02:44 PM

SH

“ Prayers for Christine and family. So sorry for your loss . Sue Haynes Knoxville Tn

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**sue HaynesRebecca Haynes** - February 22 at 08:15 PM

PC

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort.  
*Mike & Patty Clark*



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**Patty Clark** - February 21 at 11:36 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Claude Pennington.



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February 21 at 05:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Claude Pennington.

February 21 at 05:40 AM



“ Christine, We are thinking of you and your family during this sad time.

**Sammie & Bob Horton** - February 20 at 10:33 PM



“ Debbie Garrett lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington



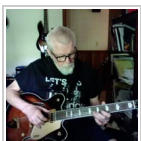
**Debbie Garrett** - February 20 at 09:56 PM



“ Our county has lost another good man who made lasting contributions to our students and school system. We mourn his passing and pray for peace and understanding upon his family.



**Doris and Larry Presley** - February 20 at 08:13 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear of Claude's passing. In the years that I knew him, I never heard him say a cross word to or about anyone. Claude always had a kind word and a friendly smile for everyone, and he will be missed by us all.

**Dale Cauthen** - February 20 at 02:28 PM

BA

“ Christine, I am so sorry about Claude. Will be thinking of you!!!!  
Barbara Thomas 🙏❤️

Barbara - February 20 at 12:37 PM

PT

“ Presley T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Claude Pennington.

Presley T. - February 20 at 12:06 PM

TD

“ Christine,  
I'm so sorry to hear of Claude's passing. I have so many memories of you guys growing up. I'll be praying for you all. Tracy D

Tracy Delph - February 20 at 05:26 AM

JE

“ Christine and family,  
We were so saddened to hear of Claude's passing. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time.

Joe & Tracy Ely - February 19 at 10:32 PM

DK

“ Don and Vel Kowalsky purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Claude Pennington.



Don and Vel Kowalsky - February 19 at 07:22 PM

PS

“ Peggy S. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Claude Pennington.



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**Peggy S.** - February 19 at 05:56 PM

LL

“ Christine I am so sad to hear of Claude's passing. I have fond memories of him at church and working with him in the school system over the years. He was always so helpful and considerate. Sending prayers for peace and healing.



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**Linda Lewis** - February 19 at 05:51 PM

MC

“ Christine and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Claude was such a kind, soft-spoken and caring person. Always the gentleman! Always willing to help!  
Claude will be greatly missed !!

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**Mary Lou Carter** - February 19 at 03:43 PM

MH

“ Merlyn Horton lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington



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**Merlyn Horton** - February 19 at 02:58 PM

PA

“ So sorry to hear of Claude passing. He was very talented man. He will truly be missed..



Patsy Adkins - February 19 at 01:50 PM

JW

“ Christine, from our school days until now, you and Claude were the most perfect couple. Your love story is wonderful and one for the books. It was obvious each time I saw you how much love you shared. I know you are heartbroken and my heart aches for you. Please know that I love you sweet friend. Prayers for you and the family.

Judy Williams - February 19 at 12:24 PM

MF

“ Melvin Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington



Melvin Ferguson - February 19 at 12:04 PM

EW

“ Sending love and sympathy to Christine and all of the family. I'm truly sorry for your loss.



Ernestine Wright - February 19 at 11:04 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Claude Pennington.*



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February 19 at 10:27 AM



“ *Josh Ingle lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington*



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**josh ingle** - February 19 at 10:07 AM



“ *Duretta Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington*



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**Duretta Kilgore** - February 19 at 08:03 AM



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February 19 at 05:25 AM

BA

“ Bill And Tinker Anderson lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington



Bill and Tinker Anderson - February 19 at 01:24 AM

RD

“ Claude was one of the kindest people you could meet and always introduced himself and wanted to have a conversation with every person at our shooting matches. He was the sweetest and always brought donuts and cookies for everyone to share. He always had a smile on his face and made everyone feel welcome. He'd always help you out in any way he could. He sure will be missed but he's in the best place now!!!

Rylee Dockery - February 18 at 09:31 PM



“ Stanley And I always looked forward to talking to Claude. He was definitely one of a kind. He was one of the nicest men we ever met. We love you, Claude and will certainly miss you. But we will see you again.  
In the mean time we will be praying for Steve and Christine. ❤️🙏

Rhonda Canter - February 18 at 08:54 PM

NN

I worked with Claude many years at the VoTech school, but did not know him well until we attended church together. I am blessed to have great memories of his service our church. He did our sound system for services, polished the offering plates and the candle bras. Claude never overlooked the smallest detail. I most enjoyed his excitement when he made breakfast for dinner for our youth on Wednesday evenings. Those were great meals as well as memories.

Nell Newman - February 19 at 10:57 AM

FM

“ Fred Marion lit a candle in memory of Claude Pennington



Fred Marion - February 18 at 08:04 PM

PJ

“ I only knew Claude for a short time. I met him at Kettlefoot Gun club at an ARA Match. He was always so helpful to me sharing his knowledge and experience. It was no surprise to find out that he was a Christian and a teacher. My condolences to his family and friends. You will all be in my prayers. Paul Jessee

Paul Jessee - February 18 at 06:45 PM

WC

“ Claude and Christine have always been dear friends to me, Kay and Ben. My love and prayers are with the family!

Wilma Counts - February 18 at 05:25 PM

VW

“ My deepest condolences to Christine and Steven. You are in my prayers.



Vickie (Ringley) Wilder - February 18 at 04:58 PM

GF

“ Gilbert and Turley families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Claude Pennington.

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**Gilbert and Turley families** - February 18 at 04:37 PM

GF

“ Gilbert and Turley families purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Claude Pennington.



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**Gilbert and Turley families** - February 18 at 04:37 PM