



## Edmond Hensley

August 29, 1936 - September 24, 2021

Edmond Hensley went to heaven on Friday, September 24, 2021. Born in Rose Hill, Virginia on August 29, 1936, the eldest of six children to a coal mining father and a farming and child-rearing mother, Edmond learned the meaning of hard work and the importance of family at an early age. As a very young boy, Edmond helped his mother do everything on the family farm, from milking the cows to picking apples and blackberries. Later, still too small to harness the mule on his own, he would climb a stool to ready the mule to plow the fields. As an enterprising boy, he grew watermelons, rolled them into Martin's Creek to cool and sold them to passersby. He continued to work the land and save his profits, purchasing livestock and his first farm as a teenager. Edmond continued to farm in his early twenties, but after catching the eye of the most beautiful red-headed girl he ever saw at the High Top skating rink, he married Jacinta Davis Hensley in September of 1960 and set out for a state job surveying land all across eastern and central Virginia. For more than ten years, Edmond worked all week, drove back to his farm in Southwest Virginia on weekends to work, sometimes plowing all night. Edmond, too, was growing his family. Edmond's first son, Tim was born on November 3, 1961, and his second son, Paul, was born on November 19, 1967.

After making dear friends in the Fredericksburg area, the young family moved back to Rose Hill, while Edmond continued to work in central Virginia and drive to Rose Hill on the weekends to farm and be with his family. With his grit and determination, he went to full-time farming after saving enough money to

buy more livestock and land. Edmond was strong, strong-willed, and had a fighting spirit. He could do anything that he wanted to do if he decided he was going to do it. He successfully ran a beef-cattle farm for more than forty years. He had a great affinity for the land and his cattle, and sometimes would embark on a family trip to Iowa to see how his steers were fairing after he sold them.

One of his favorite jokes was about his baby girl, Amy, who he called his late crop, when she arrived on December 3, 1982, more than two decades after his eldest son. Edmond was a loving father and the greatest fan of his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Some of his favorite memories were when all his family would gather at his home for a big meal. Edmond had a special relationship with his only sister, Hattie Huff, whom he loved dearly. For decades, every spring Edmond looked forward to planting beans and corn to share with Hattie at the summer harvest when she would visit from Ohio.

Edmond, the patriarch, was our rock, and we will sorely miss him, his sense of humor, and enduring love. Edmond and Jacinta celebrated 61 years together just before his passing.

Edmond is survived by his wife, Jacinta; son, Paul and daughter, Amy; grandchildren and great-grandchildren Caleb, Asher, Micah, Jonathan, Aiden, Eli, Blake, Brandt, Aubrey, Rory, Connor, and Lena Hensley, Molly, Willow, and Ronan Boone, and Alexandra and Atticus Blevins.

Edmond is preceded in death by his parents, Steve and Sigrett Hensley, and his son, Timothy Hensley.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, September 26, 2021 from 4pm to 5pm at Silver Leaf Baptist Church followed by funeral services with Rev. Tim Varnadore officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Silver Leaf Cemetery. The grandsons will be the pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Silver Leaf Baptist Church or Silver Leaf Cemetery Fund.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 26. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Silver Leaf Baptist Church  
Rose Hill, VA

## Funeral Service

SEP 26. 5:00 PM (ET)

Silver Leaf Baptist Church  
Rose Hill, VA

## Graveside service

SEP 26 (ET)

Silver Leaf Cemetery  
Old Nursery Road  
Rose Hill, VA 24281

# Tribute Wall



“ *Edmond Hensley*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Edmund and my farther, Russell Gregory, we're good friends. Edmund was a good man, so sorry for your loss. Prayer are said for your family.*



**Carol Gregory Vandergriff** - October 03, 2021 at 02:47 AM



“ *Danny & Sherry Lowe lit a candle in memory of Edmond Hensley*



**Danny & Sherry Lowe** - September 28, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Jacinta,  
I am so sorry for your family's loss and pray God will comfort you all in the days ahead.  
Debbie Garrett*

**Debbie Garrett** - September 28, 2021 at 01:50 AM

PE

“ I met Edmond at one of Amy's basketball games and knew then how proud he was of his daughter. Jacinta I know the emptiness your heart feels because half of you is no longer there. I pray that God will comfort you and your Family and meet your needs in the days ahead.

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**Pamela Collett Ervin** - September 27, 2021 at 11:36 PM

BC

“ Jacinta, I am so sorry. Please know that you and the family are in my prayers.

*Deepest Sympathies,  
Betty Corrinne Crusenberry*

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**Betty Crusenberry** - September 26, 2021 at 06:17 PM

SH

“ Jacinta & family, I am so sorry for your loss of you husband , father & grandfather. He was such a hard worker and great daddy, loved his family so much. He was so good to me every time I went down and you & him made me feel so much at home. I know he is in Heaven with his parents that he loved so much and his son Tim. also his brother. Nothing I can say that will help you now, but know we are sending love & prayers for you all during this sad time, you have loss the most important men in you life these last 2 years, may God fill your broken heart with his love.  
Love Clint & Sylvia ( Hatties Friend )

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**Sylvia Hamrick** - September 26, 2021 at 03:03 PM

MJ

“ Mike Jackson lit a candle in memory of Edmond Hensley



Mike Jackson - September 26, 2021 at 02:24 PM

SH

“ I actually remember meeting Edmund when he came to Aunt Mary and Uncle Paul's house to pick Jacinta up for a date. I was young at that time and the curtain was pulled between the living room and the kitchen because I think Teresa was getting a bath!!! It's so funny the things we remember after all these years. Jacinta you are in my prayers along with your wonderful family. Most of what I remember about him was he was such a hard worker!! Love to you all cousin!! Sharon Taylor Highsmith and family

Sharon Taylor Highsmith - September 26, 2021 at 01:34 PM

PS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mildred Cope & Phyllis

Phyllis Slusher - September 26, 2021 at 12:55 PM

SL

“ Shelby Long lit a candle in memory of Edmond Hensley



shelby long - September 26, 2021 at 12:04 PM

SL

*Dear Jacinta and family, so sorry for your loss, I'm not able to be there with you, but I want you to know I love you all.*

**shelby long** - September 26, 2021 at 12:06 PM

HM

“ *So very sorry for your loss!! Praying for God's strength and comfort during this difficult time and the days ahead!!*



**Helen Marcum** - September 26, 2021 at 08:25 AM

DC

“ *Jacinta, I am deeply sorry about your loss of Edmond. As you grieve, know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Darlene Wolfe Cooper*

**Darlene Wolfe Cooper** - September 25, 2021 at 07:20 PM

VB

*Jacinta and family. We were so sorry to hear about your loss. Praying for you guys.*

**Vivian Buford** - September 26, 2021 at 07:46 PM