



James Oneil Williams

March 23, 1940 - June 5, 2021

James Oneil Williams, age 81, was born March 23, 1940 and passed away at home on June 5, 2021. He was of the Baptist faith.

He retired as Police Chief of Pennington Gap, VA. He was a member of Thomas Walker Fire Department and he was the founder of Thomas Walker Rescue Squad in 1980. He loved hunting, fishing and spending time with family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Edward Williams; mother, Jessie Ayers Williams; brother, Clayton Williams; brothers-in-law, Richard Hilton and Ricky Nelson; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Betty Nelson Williams; three sons, David (April) Williams of Rose Hill, VA, Roger Williams and Tom Williams of Ewing, VA; five daughters, Donna (Jerry) Yeary, Debbie (Keith) Yeary, Nancy (Jeff) Scott all of Ewing, VA, Jeanette (Danny) Ayers of Hancock County, TN and Becky Hawk and friend Tyler Begley of Sharpe Chapel, TN; grandchildren, Lindsey Williams, Ada Williams, Samantha Hill, David Williams, Alex Williams, Matthew Yeary, Justin Yeary, Adam Williams, Whittney Rowlette, Ty Williams, Eli Williams, Amanda Bertram, Jessica Hensley, Drew Ayers, Cheyenne Ayers, Cameron Ayers, Khloe Ayers, Brittney Williams, Courtney Barnette and Hailee Hensley.

He was blessed with 17 great grandchildren; nieces, Charlotte Williams of Lafayette, IN and Sheila (Ted) Korick of Lafayette IN and Ashley (Ron) Kinsley; nephew, Dennis "D" (Brenda) Nelson; aunts, Freda Ayers of Ewing,

VA and Roberta Garman of Maryland; Uncle, Paul Ayers; brother-in-law, Dennis Nelson; sister-in-law, Carolyn Hilton; great nieces, Rozzland Nelson and Reyland Nelson; great nephew, DC Kinsley; special friends, Keith Marcum, Willard Moore, Tim Deel, Linda Porter, Dayle Yeary.

The family will receive friends from 12 Noon until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at Robinette Funeral Home in Rose Hill, VA. Funeral services will begin at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Justin Yeary and Rev. Adam Edds officiating. Music will be provided by Henry Shell. A graveside service will follow in Lee Memorial Gardens Park West.

Pallbearers will be friends and family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive
P.O. Box 388
Rose Hill, VA 24281
(276) 445-5101

Funeral Service

JUN 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside service

JUN 9 (ET)

Lee Memorial Gardens Park West
Rose Hill, VA

Tribute Wall



“ *James Oneil Williams*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss! I remember him well when he worked in Penninton. That goes back to my Home Health days! May God give you comfort!! Prayers*

Kathy Wolfe - June 09, 2021 at 03:51 PM



“ *James will be missed. I've know James for as long as I can remember. He was fun to be around, always going on about one thing or another. We talked hunting and guns quite a bit. When I was working for the ambulance service it was good to see him as an Police Officer when things got hectic at the scene we were on. When ever I'm on the home place and go by the area that he had his tree stand in for deer hunting I'll always remember him.*

Shannon Grabeel - June 09, 2021 at 08:48 AM