



Alvin Holmes

February 17, 1926 - January 23, 2004

Rev. Alvin Lane Holmes, age 77, of Richlands, Virginia passed from this life to eternal life, Friday, January 23rd, 2004 at his home following a lengthy illness. He was born in Seaboard, Virginia and was a son of the late Vick and Margaret Lawson Holmes. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Marshall Randolph Holmes, another son, Tony Michael Holmes, four brothers, Willy, Arvil, Thedford, and Robert Holmes, also, two sisters, Carrie Helton and Mary Puckett. He was the last surviving member of his generation. He gave his heart to the Lord in 1958 and was baptized in Jesus' name in 1959. He founded the United Pentecostal Church in Richlands in 1966, where he was currently serving as Senior Pastor, and the First Apostolic Christian School in 1979. He founded the United Pentecostal Church of Saltville, Virginia in 1990. He was an ordained minister of the United Pentecostal Church International and had served on the Virginia District Board as a Presbyter for 35 years. He was a World War II Veteran of the United States Navy, serving from 1943-1946. He served in all six theaters of the War aboard the U. S. S. Wooniski. He crossed the Atlantic Ocean five times and the Pacific twice during his military service. He was awarded five ribbons, five medals, and four stars. Mr. Holmes was President and Co-owner of V. H. Holmes Salvage Company, a family business started by his father sixty-five years ago. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Survivors are: His Wife of fifty-three years, Mrs. Betty Burress Holmes One daughter, Patricia and husband, Farley Christian, Jr. of Richlands, Virginia Two Sons: Jonathan Holmes and wife, Melanie of

Richlands, Virginia Anthony Holmes of Richlands, Virginia Foster Daughter, Robin Christian and husband, Lonnie of Leesburg, Virginia Seven Granddaughters: Evangeline Barnhart, Shenandoah Walraven, Tammy Bouton, Micah Holmes, Hannah Christian, Ariana Holmes, and Aleah Holmes. One Grandson, Jostin Holmes Five Great Grandchildren, and three sisters-in-law, Loyale Holmes of Hampton, Virginia, Martha Holmes of Richlands, Virginia, and Rebecca Holmes of Galax, Virginia. He is also survived by his church family. A celebration of life for Rev. Alvin Holmes will be conducted Monday at 2:00 p.m. at the United Pentecostal Church in Richlands, Virginia with Rev. James Kelly of Spottsylvania, Virginia and Rev. Robert Hall of Chesapeake, Virginia officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Richard Holmes, Ronnie Holmes, Bill Holmes, Robert Holmes, Willie Newberry, and Junior Boyd. Honorary Pallbearers will be the United Pentecostal Church International Virginia District Board Members and Virginia District Section Six Pastors. Members of the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 of Richlands, Virginia and Disabled American Veterans Tazewell Chapter #31 will conduct military graveside rites. Friends may call at the United Pentecostal Church in Richlands after 6:00 p.m. Saturday with visitation continuing on Sunday. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Alvin Holmes*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Alvin Holmes*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *I will miss you dearly...and always remember the times we would sneak and go out to eat when grandma had you on a special diet. You made one of the biggest impacts one can make on another's life...you will forever be my papaw and I will always remember you telling the story of " papaw opee the doe" you were my father's hero and I am my father's daughter so you were my hero to. I pray that dad is with you. I love you!*

Shenandoah Walraven - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ *You will surely be missed!*

Jeff Long - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Sister Holmes, Patricia, and all of you, I was glad to read that you are celebrating Bro. Holmes's life and accomplishments here on earth. Even though I know he will be missed, and the pain of losing a loved one, I know you can rest assured that he is in Heaven and will see him again. He was truly a man of God and I am glad i got to talk to him not long ago before his passing. Taylor and I love you all like family and hold each of you dear in our hearts.

Tammy and Taylor Short - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ As Paul said, "I've fought a good fight, I've kept the Faith, henceforth there is a Crown..."
Sis. Holmes, Patricia, Jr. and family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Love you

Mike Durham - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
All our Love , Rhonda,Kenny,James,Doug,
Brandy,Lorelei,Kenny Jr.,Christian.

Rhonda Puckett Lilley - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *My sincere sympathy in the loss of your dear husband and Dad. My Mom was related to Alvin and He was really good to come when she was sick. I really appreciated that. Her name was Bessie Houchins Reedy. May God richly bless and comfort you in this difficult time is my prayer.*
Pat Warner

Pat Warner - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Dear Patricia and family,*
I just want to send my condolences to you and your family in the passing of your father. I know that you rejoice in the fact that he is in Heaven now, but I also know that you will miss him being here with your family very much.
With Love, your sister in Christ,
Staci

Staci Ross - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Mr. Holmes passing. God be with you all. If there is anything we can do, just let us know.*
God Bless!

Bobby & Woodie Mullins - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *My deepest sympathy Pat to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and Prayers. May the Lord comfort and keep you in his hands during this difficult time.*

*Love ,
Jane Ellen*

Jane Ellen Horton - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *I just recently found out that my uncle Alvin passed away. He was the brother of my grandmother Mary Puckett. I really dont know what to say other than I loved him alot but I know that he isnt alone in heaven.....he is with my grandparents and his other brothers and sisters. Love you All*

Kimberly Farmer - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Aunt Betty,Patricia,Jonthan,Anthony. My heart goes out to you. I know how you feel. My prayers are with you. May God Bless and keep you in your time of need. Look to the Lord, Thats where your help comes from. Love your niece Karen Puckett Mills*

Karen Puckett Mills - January 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM