



A.W. Horton,

October 3, 1917 - August 30, 2007

Mr. A. W. "June" Horton, Jr., age 89, of Raven, Virginia, passed away Thursday, August 30th, 2007 at a Richlands, Virginia hospital following a brief illness. He was born in Raven, Virginia and was the son of the late A.W. Sr. and Dora Crockett Horton, both former Raven, Virginia natives. He was a lifelong resident of the area and a Richlands High School graduate class of 1934. He was well known for being the proprietor of the Raven Supermarket since 1935 and in 2001 was the recipient of the Virginia Small Business Veteran of the Year award. In addition to his service to the community he served in the United States Army during World War II in the 116th Infantry 29th Division making the landing on D-Day at Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. He was a registrar of voters for 46 years and served on the election board for 44 years. He served on the first Board of the Tazewell County P.S.A. for several years as well as being Director for First National Bank. He was a member and treasurer, since 1966, of the Richlands Masonic Lodge #318 A.F.& A.M and also the Shriners Kazim Temple, Roanoke, Virginia. He attended Clearview United Methodist Church and was a member of the Barnes-Beavers VFW Post, Tazewell, Virginia. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife, Gladys Thompson Horton; and a sister, Edith Horton. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. Survivors are Daughter Jane Ellen Horton of Raven, Virginia Son Rocky Horton and wife, Pat of Raven, Virginia Step Grandchildren D.J. Stilwell and wife, Terri Jonathon Stilwell Step Great Grandchildren Bryson Stilwell and

Brooklyn Stone Sisters-in-law, Charlotte Burgess of Roanoke, Virginia, Bettye Justice of, Vacaville, California and Ruth Thompson of Germantown, Maryland. Nephews, Robin Thompson, Howard Lee Burgess, John Clay Burgess, John Justice, and George Justice, Jr.. Great Nephews, Tyler Burgess, Levi Justice, and Jason Justus Nieces, Karon Thompson and Susan Thompson Great Niece, Julie Moran Funeral services for Mr. Horton will be conducted at 2:00pm Sunday, September 2, 2007 at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Paul Goshorn and Rev. Paul Griffith officiating. Interment will follow in Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Pallbearers will be Frank Horton, Dan Harris, Paul Cook, Jack Pyott, Don Horton, Doug Dye, Jr., and Jerry Ward. Honorary pallbearers will be the Men of Clearview United Methodist Church as well as friends and customers of Raven Supermarket through the years. Members of the Casey-Short VFW Post #9640 will conduct military gravesite rites. The family will receive friends at Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia on Saturday after 6:00pm. A Masonic service will be conducted Saturday evening at 7:00pm. The family would like to suggest for memorial contributions to be made to Clearview United Methodist Church P. O. Box 642 Doran, VA 24612 or Shriners Hospitals for Children 950 W. Faris Road Greenville, SC 29605-4277.

Tribute Wall



“ A.W. Horton,

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ A.W. Horton,

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *As a very small child my mother would bring my brother and I to visit every year. In the last 24 hours I have thought about nothing else but those wonderful times. I remember running over that little hill in your yard so much I wore out the sole of my shoes. Uncle June would just stand there patiently smiling and laughing until I finally stopped. I remember a Thanksgiving I was at your house for. I was in my freshman year at college and couldn't afford to come home to Florida. Aunt Gladys drove all the way to Carson-Newman to get me and brought me all the way to your house and back. I ate more food in 4 days! As I got older my visits became a source of strength for me. Shortly after Aunt Gladys passed away, my father passed away. That year we lost several of our beloved family members in a very short span of 6 months. I came to visit shortly after my grandmother's funeral and I was a mess. It was my birthday too and when I arrived at the house there was a huge bunch of balloons for me. Always loving, always comforting, always encouraging. My last visit was about 4 years ago. We sat and talked about when I was a kid. I left knowing I was a better person for being loved by this incredible man and his wonderful family.*

lisa rawlson - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Growing up in Raven, June was always there, he will be missed.

Mr. & Mrs. Randall "Dick" Hill - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Rocky,Pat,Jane Ellen,
You have our deepest sympathy in the passing of your dad.
Just remember he has passed over to a much better place then we are in.
I will always remember coming into the store ,and he would always speak to you and just made you feel good.
Our prayers are with all of you.

Joe & Betty Ray (Peggy Wells)

Joe & Betty Ray - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Jane Ellen, Rocky, Pat & Family,
So very sorry about your Dad, Our heartfelt condolences to each of you and if we're unable to be there we'll be thinking of you with Love and Prayers, God Bless all of you.
Albert & Lois Sheets

Albert & Lois Sheets - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ Rocky, Pat And Family,

I'm so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time of loss. If there's anything I can do for you or your family, please don't hesitate calling on me.

I have only the fondest of memories as I remember the many times I've visited the store. Mr. June was always ready to help and of course always knew where what ever a person was looking for was located at. His smiling face and personality will live on with the many persons whose lives he's touched through out the years.

Norma Richardson - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Jane Ellen and family, I just viewed your e-mail about your father's passing. My thoughts and prayers and with you and your family.

I remembering visiting your dad in his store while we were college roommates. It was an unforgettable adventure.

We came back on campus at ETSU with new bibbed overalls! I have a photo of us together in them.

God Bless you and help you through this difficult time. love, Mary Kay "marge"

Mary K. "Marge" Boggs - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Jane Ellen & Rocky, please know you are in my prayers, and have my deepest sympathy. Your Dad was a very Special Guy!
God Bless You,
Jane

Jane Lankford-Jeffries - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ We were out of town during the visitation/funeral, but wanted to let you know we are sorry for your loss. Mr. Horton was a friend to his entire community and will be missed.

Bobby & Iris Webb - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ ROCKY & PAT,
MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. JUNE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.

LISA CORDLE - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Jane Ellen,

All my thoughts and prayers are with you and Rocky.

Love,

Sherry

Sherry Evans - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To Rocky, Jane and All The Horton Family - The loss of a loved one is always a hard thing to carry; but may the legacy of such a wonderful person be a treasure in your heart always. June was a friend to many and always kind to all. May the memories of his smile and laughter comfort you in the days ahead and may you know that we all cherished him as much as you loved him. The loss to our community of such a fine man, is a great gain for heaven and all those that are waiting for him.

God Bless Each of You.

Allen Stilwell Family - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Jim and Shirley Rose - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. He was truly a special man and will be missed. We are sorry we could not get to the funeral home. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.

Mike and Pam Baldwin - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ To Uncle June, may he rest in peace. Raven's "true value" in every way.

With love,

Robin

Robert M. "robin" Thompson - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Jane Ellen, Rocky,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during the loss of a great father, friend and neighbor.

We have so many fond memories of your dad and mom during our childhood days in Raven. Memories we will always cherish.

We were certainly blessed to have known them both.

God Bless,

Kirby, Pam, Deanna,

Kirby Cole - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Rocky and Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. Words can not express what you are going thru nor can I say anything to stop the pain. Only time will heal. You and your family are in our prayers and thoughts.

Signed

Wicks family

Alfred Wicks Jr - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *To all the family, we are deeply sorry for the loss of your loved one. Look to God for He is your strength in the time of sorrow.*

Anna Lowe Broyles - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Jane Ellen, Rocky and Family,
I am so sorry for the sadness you feel at this time of your Dad's
departure.

*I pray for comfort and peace to each of you at this time from our
precious Savior and Lord Jesus.*

*Love in Christ,
Anita*

Anita McGlothlin Gibson - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Dear Jane Ellen and Rocky (& family)

*You know how much I loved your Dad. June Horton was one of my
favorite people. Raven Supermarket and the Horton Reunion will
never be the same. He always had such a great big hug for
everybody (not to mention pulling my ear). We won't be able to
make it in for the service but we will be there in spirit. We know what
you are going through. I am so glad I got to see June and give him a
big hug last month when Mother passed away. He always reminds
me of my Daddy too. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Even
though we are all so sad at his passing, I just kept thinking
yesterday how glad he was to see Gladys and Cecil Wells and
many, many other loved ones on the other side. Praying GOd's
peace for you all. Lovingly, Lisa, Les, Sara and Madison Cruey*

Lisa Wells Cruey - August 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM