



## Claude Keen

November 21, 1926 - May 14, 2011

Mr. Claude Verner Keen, age 84, of Whitewood, Virginia, passed away Saturday, May 14, 2011 in a Bristol, Tennessee hospital. He was born in West Virginia and was the son of the late Gordon Joshua and Louise Breedon Keen. He was a lifelong resident of the Whitewood area and was the owner and operator of Claude V. Keen Trucking Company. He was a graduate of Whitewood High School Class of 1944, a U.S. Army WWII Veteran, a former member of the Buchanan County School Board, a member of Sandy Valley Lodge Masonic Lodge #17 AF & AM, Scottish Rite, Kazim Temple, Odd Fellows, and Kentucky Colonels. He enjoyed fishing and gardening and was a avid collector of antique cars, knives, and guns. He enjoyed his family which he loved and cherished. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Karen Lynn Keen; one son, Danny Ray Keen; and one sister, Ruby Shepherd. Survivors are: His Wife of 65 years: Caroline "Nell" Ratliff Cole Keen One Daughter: Kim Keen of Abingdon, Virginia One Son: Freddie Keen and wife, Debbie of Whitewood, Virginia Five Sisters: Gay Maxwell of Whitewood, Virginia Martha Compton and husband, Arnold of Brookville, Ohio Alice Coomer and husband, Jack of Dayton, Ohio Shirley Whitt and husband, Larry of Dayton, Ohio Linda Smith and husband, Bob of Beattyville, Kentucky Two Brothers: Clyde Keen and wife, Jerri of Lexington, Virginia Scott Keen and wife, Margaret of Dayton, Ohio Four Grandchildren: Lindsey Keen, Ryan Keen and wife, Crystal, Trey Keen and wife, Angelica, Joshlyn Odum One Great Granddaughter: Shaylyn Brooke

Keen Funeral services for Claude Keen will be conducted Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 8:00pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with Pastor John Stapleton and Rev. Jimmie Cole officiating. Interment will be Monday, May 16, 2011 at 1:00pm at Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Those attending the graveside committal service are asked to meet at the funeral home by 12:30pm on Monday. Pallbearers will be: James Burress, Dean Cole, Graham Cole, Jr., Terry Maxwell, Eugene Maxwell, Scottie Keen, Larry Coomer, Josh Smith, Aaron Dillow, Steve Shepherd, and Bob Keene. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Employees of Claude V. Keen Trucking Co., Charlie Ellis, Gary Anderson, and James Jarvis. Members of Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct military graveside rites. Members of Sandy Valley Masonic Lodge will conduct Masonic services Sunday at 8:00pm. Friends may call after 5:00pm Sunday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, VA is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at [www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Claude Keen

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ Claude Keen

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.

Ronnie Nelson & Edith Keen - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ claud was a fine man , i thought a lot of him. he will be missed. he always had time to talk to you. always had a story to tell. my sincere sympathy goes out to nell, freddie , kim and the whole keen family. words can't express the grief your feeling. very sorry for your loss.

jeffery horne - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ we are so sorry for your loss. claud keene was a very much liked man in the whitewood and pilgrims knob area, and a lot of other places .he did a lot for the community where he lived most of his life. his dad and my dad shared the same name gordon joshua, i am very proud to be a part of the keene family. my prayer s are with you all FROM COUSINS KAREN (KEENE) WAGNER TAMMY AND DAVID HAND DANIEL WAGNER AND SON AUSTIN

karen wagner and family - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ Freddie,

*We were so sorry to learn that your father had passed away. You and your family are in our prayers.*

*Scott and Deb*

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**Scotty and Deborah Owens** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Nell, Freddie, Debbie, Ryan, Crystal and Leslie,

*Terry and I are so sorry for your loss. Words are so inadequate at expressing the depth of our sadness for you. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. As time goes by may you be left with beautiful memories of Claude. He was a one of a kind guy. If there's anything we can do or anything you need please give us a call.*

*Take care and god bless you.*

*Our Deepest Sympathies,*

*Terry and Karen*

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**Terry and Karen Thomas Hutchinson** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Nell Kim Freddie an Family.

*I am so sorry for your loss Claude was a very special man an will be missed by all who knew him.He is not suffering anymore and is in a much better place than we are.Your days will be hard ahead,but in time you will move on. You will never forget him nor will anyone who ever knew him.He was Loved by many.I Love you all And I will be Praying for you all.*

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**Lisa Hackworth Harris** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ I would like to express my sympathy to you and your family. My prayers will be with you.

Barbara Wilson - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ We will keep the family in our prayers

Raymond Wimmer - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ This is a great loss to our community. Claude was a wonderful person.  
Our thoughts and prayers are will Nell, Freddie, Kim and the entire family.  
May God be with all of you.

Carnice and Peggy

Carnice & Peggy Keen - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ So sorry for the loss of your husband & father he was a great man to all he knew & was always willing to help his friends & community. He will be greatly missed.

Linda Cole adams - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Claude V. Keen will be missed in this life here on Earth, Only God Knows The Many Good Deeds that Claude has done, Claude was never one to Bragg about his Success...He Help Many Young People to get Started working, with Stable Jobs..Rest in Peace, your work on Earth is done

Jackie Smith - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Sorry for your loss. He will be greatly missed by all.*

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**Mike & Angie Dillow** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. Steve thought so much of Claude. I know that he will be much missed. Freddy and Debbie thanks so much for the lovely quilt you sent for Steve's funeral.*

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**Debbie Stinson** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM