



## David "Keith" Hicks

November 13, 1945 - December 19, 2024

David "Keith" Hicks, age 79, of Pounding Mill, Virginia, passed away Thursday, December 19, 2024, in a Lebanon, Virginia hospital.

He was born in Princeton, West Virginia, and was the son of the late David Oliver Hicks and Lanore Ferrell Cunningham Hicks.

He was a lifelong resident of the area and was the former owner and operator of the Hicks Distributors for Little Debbie. He was a US Navy Vietnam Veteran and Keen Mtn Pentecostal Holiness Church member. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Reida Hicks, and two brothers, Vernon and Ronnie Hicks. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

At the age of 17, Keith joined the Navy. While in the Navy, Keith worked diligently and earned his GED. Keith served in the Navy from November 1962 to September 1974, when he received an honorable medical discharge. As a member of the US Navy, Keith was able to serve the country and see the world. While stationed aboard the USS Conserver (ARS-39), USS Markab (AR-23), and the Moctobi (ATF-105), he toured the Philippines, Vietnam, Japan, Alaska, Hawaii, and numerous other states on the mainland.

Keith was able to dedicate himself to the service of the United States through

many Naval job specialties. His duties as a Boatswains Mate (BM-0000), Transportation, Tug Boat Operator, Gunnery Salvage Strip Clean-Up, and Military Police were among many jobs he performed while serving in the US Navy.

Keith was honorably medically discharged as an E-5 in 1974. At the conclusion of his career, Keith had received the Vietnam Service Medal, an Honorable Discharge, and numerous Conduct Medals. His service as a United States Armed Forces member encompassed a decade of his life but a lifetime of his heart.

Keith was a loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and in-law. He truly loved his Pastor, Randy Webb, and his church family at Keen Mountain. Keith was truly one of the most honest, humble, and loving people this world has ever known.

Survivors include:

His Wife: Lynn Cooper Hicks

Daughter: Lynn Lowe and husband, Jonathan of Paintlick, Virginia

Son: Mike Hicks of Bluefield, Virginia

Grandchildren: Michael Olivares, Brody Lowe, and Sabastian Hicks

Funeral services for David "Keith" Hicks will be conducted Monday, December 23, 2024, at 1 pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia, with the Rev. Randy Webb officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Wayne Tolliver, Tyler Rasnake, Doug Hess, Jake Ratliff, Mickey Cooper, Kaeden Cooper, Brody Lowe, Michael Olivares, Jeff Lamie, and Josh Shelton will be Pallbearers. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Men of the Keen Mtn Pentecostal Holiness Church, Malik

Lamie, Sabastian Hicks, Jonathan Lowe, Eddie Honaker, Michael Cooper, David Cooper, Jody Hughes, Brayden Tolliver, Easton Tolliver, Robert Deel, Marky Jordan, and nieces and great nieces. Members of the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct military graveside rites. Friends may visit the family from 11 am until 1 pm on Monday before the funeral.

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia, is in charge of arrangements, and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at [www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Greenhills Memory Gardens

11800 Gov G.C. Peery Hwy  
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **23**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home  
1401 2nd Street  
Richlands, VA 24641  
<http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC **23**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hurst-Scott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David "Keith" Hicks



Hurst-Scott Funeral Home - December 24, 2024 at 02:28 PM



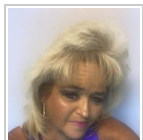
“ Rhonda H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David "Keith" Hicks.

Rhonda H. - December 24, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David "Keith" Hicks.

December 23, 2024 at 09:45 AM



“ Rebecca Street lit a candle in memory of David "Keith" Hicks



Rebecca Street - December 23, 2024 at 03:16 AM

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“ Aunt Lucille & Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of David "Keith" Hicks.



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**Aunt Lucille & Family** - December 21, 2024 at 02:43 PM

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“ Aunt Lucille & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David "Keith" Hicks.

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**Aunt Lucille & Family** - December 21, 2024 at 02:43 PM

PH

“ Lynn..I'm so sorry for your loss..my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time..I knew this holiday was already going to be such a heartbreaking time..no words ease the pain...love to all



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**Pamela Hackworth** - December 21, 2024 at 08:36 AM

BK

“ My deepest condolences to family and friends, Lynn has been a special friend of mind for many years.. Keith was always so kind and had a sweet smile every time you saw him.. my thoughts and prayers are with you all today and in the days to come

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**Bonnie Keen** - December 21, 2024 at 07:36 AM

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“ *Charlotte Vencille lit a candle in memory of David "Keith" Hicks*



Charlotte Vencille - December 20, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of David "Keith" Hicks*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - December 20, 2024 at 09:33 PM

CK

“ *Lynn so sorry for your loss...may God hold you in his hands and bring you peace and comfort as only He can...remember you are never along as long as Gid lives in your heart you have Angles walking by your side...prayers...hugs*

Connie Keen - December 20, 2024 at 07:10 PM

FB

“ *My empathy to Lynn. Prayers for all the family.*



Freda Breedlove - December 20, 2024 at 04:54 PM



*Lynn , I'm so so sorry, love ya!*

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**Rebecca Ratliff** - December 20, 2024 at 06:31 PM