



Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.

February 26, 1941 - March 1, 2018

Earl Wesley Griffith Sr., of Jewell Ridge, Virginia, died peacefully at the home of his daughter in Tulsa, Oklahoma on March 1, 2018 at the age of 77.

Earl was born on February 26, 1941 in Jewell Ridge, Virginia to the late Charlie and Goldie Griffith.

He graduated from Richlands High School and served in the United States Army and the Virginia National Guard 1033rd Transportation Unit. He was a dedicated military soldier. Earl was a coal miner, Federal Mine Inspector, and Tazewell County School Bus Driver. Earl served on the Board of Tazewell County Supervisors and Public Service Authority Board. Earl was a committed and dedicated individual in his community. He was an avid fan and supporter of Richlands High School sports.

He is preceded in death by wife, Frances Kulia Griffith, parents, Charlie and Goldie Griffith, brothers, Henry Wade Griffith and Charles W Griffith, and son-in-law, Bob Reidenbaugh.

Earl is survived by:

Daughters: Teri Reidenbaugh of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Sheri Griffith of Richlands, Virginia; Vanessa Purdy of Abingdon, Virginia; and Jaime Griffith of Richlands,

Virginia.

Son, Earl Wesley Griffith, Jr. and wife Tammy of Jewell Ridge, Virginia.

Brothers, Ralph Griffith and wife Kathy of Jonesborough, Tennessee; Tommy Griffith and wife Colleen of Haymarket, Virginia

Sister, Dorthy Magelitz of Fort Ashby, West Virginia.

15 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren also survive

Funeral services for Earl W. Griffith, Sr. will be conducted Monday, March 5, 2018 at 1pm at the Hurst Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands Virginia with the Rev. Corey Douglas Keene officiating. Burial will be at the Griffith Family Cemetery on Stinson Ridge Rd near Jewell Ridge, Virginia. Members of the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct military graveside rites. Family will receive guests at Hurst Scott Funeral Home, Richlands, Virginia on Sunday, March 4, 2018 from 5-9pm. 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

Cemetery Details

Griffith Family Cemetery

Stinson Ridge Road
Jewell Ridge, VA 24266

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAR 5. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Richlands, VA 24641
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Tribute Wall



“ *Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *We are all better people from knowing him. A great man.*

MAJ Joe Breeding (Ret)

Joe Breeding - March 07, 2018 at 07:32 PM



“ *Earl was a great CSM, Man and Friend I will truly miss him. Earl always had time to sit and talk with you and could always put a smile on your face. Time to rest now my brother.*

Gary Calhoun - March 07, 2018 at 06:25 PM



JR

“ *Janice Reid lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Janice Reid - March 06, 2018 at 05:50 PM

JR

So sorry for your loss.

Janice Reid - March 06, 2018 at 05:51 PM

AA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Anna Addington - March 05, 2018 at 07:15 PM

RM

“ *Robert Mullins lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Robert Mullins - March 05, 2018 at 10:04 AM

SH

“ Shirley&Robert Harrison sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Shirley&Robert Harrison - March 04, 2018 at 08:45 PM

SS

“ He was one of the best CSM i have ever known, he was truely about soldier care and a great mentor. He will be greatly missed



SSG APRIL STEFFEY - March 04, 2018 at 08:09 PM

BM

“ Bobby Mullins lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Bobby Mullins - March 04, 2018 at 08:01 PM

LB

“ May God bless this family. Larry and Linda Byrd



Larry Byrd - March 04, 2018 at 05:23 PM



“ Les & Brenda Lawson sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Les & Brenda Lawson - March 04, 2018 at 03:13 PM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



TonyanEdgar Wicks - March 04, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ Rebecca Monk Street sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Rebecca Monk Street - March 04, 2018 at 01:08 PM



“ Cecil & Willy Monk lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Cecil & Willy Monk - March 04, 2018 at 01:05 PM



“ *Pawpaw you will be missed prayers for the family we love you
Becky Isabella and Zachary*

Rebecca Griffith - March 04, 2018 at 12:29 PM



“ *BO AND BECKY VANDYKE sent a virtual gift in
memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



BO AND BECKY VANDYKE - March 04, 2018 at 07:42 AM



THANK YOU AND YOUR FAMILY FOR YOUR SERVICE

BO AND BECKY VANDYKE - March 04, 2018 at 07:43 AM



“ *Rick Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Earl
Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Rick Gilbert - March 04, 2018 at 03:50 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss.*



Larry and Frances Meadows - March 03, 2018 at 10:35 PM

JH

“ James & Ruby Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



James & Ruby Harmon - March 03, 2018 at 10:15 PM

NR

“ Norma Jewell Richardson lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Norma Jewell Richardson - March 03, 2018 at 08:55 PM

CS

“ He to me was a hero and a very special person not only to me but to everyone that he was in contact with He will be missed Love you. Uncle Earl

Craig Smith - March 03, 2018 at 08:17 PM

V9

“ VFW Post 9640 lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



VFW Post 9640 - March 03, 2018 at 07:26 PM

AW

“ Angel Ward lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Angel Ward - March 03, 2018 at 03:29 PM

BJ

“ So many great memories but the one i think of most is Earl helping with a surprise birthday party for Jimmy, getting him out of the house for the day by taking him to the fair and then delivering him at the "exact" time for the party! Jimmy said he had never seen Earl drive so fast up the mountain. Of course then there's the one about the tree, and the cow and the grandkids.....as i said SO MANY.

Earl was a dear friend and a wonderful neighbor. We miss him.

Becky and Jimmy - March 03, 2018 at 03:22 PM

LB

“ Love, Jimmy and Becky purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr..



Love, Jimmy and Becky - March 03, 2018 at 03:11 PM

JS

“ Jason Rose Sr lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Jason Rose Sr - March 03, 2018 at 02:37 PM

LC

“ LULA COLLINS sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



LULA COLLINS - March 03, 2018 at 12:52 PM

CB

“ CUTRT AND KAY BROWN lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



CUTRT AND KAY BROWN - March 03, 2018 at 11:48 AM

BV

“ Earl and Kulia were dear friends of mine. He will be missed by me every day. I was blessed by knowing them. He was a great person. I'm glad to have known him!

Barbara Vance - March 03, 2018 at 11:23 AM

RM

“ Rhonda McGlothlin-Bennett lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Rhonda McGlothlin-Bennett - March 03, 2018 at 10:26 AM

RJ

“ Raymond, Karen And Patrick Jackson lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Raymond, Karen and Patrick Jackson - March 03, 2018 at 10:06 AM

KH

“ KEN HICKS lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



KEN HICKS - March 03, 2018 at 09:47 AM

JP

“ Earl was one of our dearest friend for years. He was pillar to our community and also to our country. He will be missed by all who knew him. Love and Prayers To Family Noah And Judy Phipps

Judy Phipps - March 03, 2018 at 09:13 AM

ML

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Lee lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Mr. & Mrs. Lee - March 03, 2018 at 07:43 AM

ML

“ *Mr. And Mrs. Morris Lee lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lee - March 03, 2018 at 07:40 AM

MH

“ *Maim Harrison sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Maim Harrison - March 03, 2018 at 07:34 AM

RP

“*Earl was the greatest cousin and friend. He was a true hero not only to me but to all who knew him. He was always a soldier, not only in spirit, but also in heart mind and soul. He influenced so many and gave his life to protect and help others. I will always have a piece of him in my heart. We will always remember Cousin Earl.*

God Bless One and All

Rev. Ricky D, Pruitt (Mary & Tony's son)

Rev. Ricky D. Pruitt - March 03, 2018 at 06:34 AM



Beautifully said!

Autumn Lynn - March 03, 2018 at 12:49 PM

DB

“*David Beavers lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



David Beavers - March 03, 2018 at 06:02 AM

DS

“*Doug & Teresa Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Doug & Teresa Shepherd - March 02, 2018 at 11:42 PM

GF

“ *Garson And Carol Whitt Family lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



garson and carol whitt family - March 02, 2018 at 11:41 PM

TA

“ *I first met Earl while he was on the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors. He came and visited our offices in the courthouse frequently. He came in to see us, get to know us and to find out if he could do anything for us... He became a dear friend to me and my family. Thank you Earl Griffith for your service and dedication to Tazewell County. To the family, my heart hurts with you losing this wonderful man. Love and Hugs to all. Tammy Allison*

Tammy Allison - March 02, 2018 at 10:54 PM

EL

“ *So sorry for your loss*



ED and Karen Lester - March 02, 2018 at 10:04 PM

MW

“ *Mike & Dottie Wingo sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Mike & Dottie Wingo - March 02, 2018 at 10:03 PM

JS

“ *Judy Smith lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Judy Smith - March 02, 2018 at 09:38 PM

CR

“ *You always told me too keep getting it well I'ma doing ok but I've got too get my exercise back up too Mr Earl's standards...gonna miss ya....r.i.p Mr Griffith....*

Christopher Ryan rogich - March 02, 2018 at 09:20 PM



“ *Carolyn Pyles sent a virtual gift in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Carolyn Pyles - March 02, 2018 at 09:20 PM

RA

“ *R. B. And Glenda Altizer lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



R. B. and Glenda Altizer - March 02, 2018 at 09:05 PM

SM

“ Sharon Phipps Mcglothlin lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Sharon Phipps Mcglothlin - March 02, 2018 at 09:01 PM

BJ

“ Bill Ray And Naomi Joyce lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.



Bill Ray and Naomi Joyce - March 02, 2018 at 08:54 PM



“ Until I see you again. Love Your Lil Pumpkin



Autumn Lynn - March 02, 2018 at 08:52 PM

RC

He was very proud of you- spoke of it often!

Becky

Rebecca Craig - March 05, 2018 at 07:03 AM

DL

He was a sweetheart of a man and loved his family like no other. Rest in Peace. Love Tom & Deana

Deana Linowski - March 05, 2018 at 03:53 PM

LT

“ *Larry Tonelson lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



larry tonelson - March 02, 2018 at 08:25 PM

HN

“ *Harold Nelson lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Harold Nelson - March 02, 2018 at 08:16 PM

LK

“ *Lonnie Keene lit a candle in memory of Earl Wesley Griffith Sr.*



Lonnie keene - March 02, 2018 at 06:45 PM