



Gordon Russ

July 17, 1943 - January 31, 2025

Robert Gordon Russ, age 81, of Richlands, VA, passed away on Friday, January 31, 2025 at Pikeville Medical Center in Pikeville, KY following a lengthy illness.

He was born on July 17, 1943 and he was the son of the late Raymond “Shorty” Russ and Cora Fletcher Russ of Jewell Ridge, VA.

He was a lifelong resident of Richlands, VA. He served 3 ½ years in the US Army and received a honorable discharge. He was a coal miner for nearly 40 years. He was one of the founders of the Jewell Ridge Volunteer Fire Department where he served as Chief. He was a lifelong member of Richlands Fire and Rescue having been a member over 50 years. He served 43 years as Captain. He was a hard worker and loved to serve his community.

Gordon was preceded in death by one daughter, Peggy Russ Smith, 3 brothers (Brittain, Jimmy and Bill), 1 sister (Marie “Tootie” Stallings)

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 61 years, Shirley Russ. One daughter, Kim Lowe and husband Kevin of Richlands. Daughter of the heart, Marcella Keene. Grandchildren – Kristen Danielle Street of Charleston, WV, Savannah Danille Blevins and husband Mitchell of Elizabethton, TN, Keaton Tyler Lowe and wife Taylor of Richlands VA. Great Grandchildren Brayden and

Madelyn Blevins and Easton Lowe. Sisters – Peggy McGhee of Powder Springs GA, Carol Damron of Tazewell VA. Brothers – Eddie Russ and wife Karon of Pounding Mill VA and Junior Russ and wife Ruth of Collinsville VA. Loving friends, Jennings Yates and Bill Patton and his beloved dog, Daisy. Several nieces and nephews and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral services for Robert Gordon Russ will be conducted Monday, February 3, 2025 at 11:00am at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Clarence Lowe officiating. Entombment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Members of Richlands Rescue Squad.

Honorary Pallbearers: Kevin Lowe, Keaton Lowe, Jamie Hurt, Dalton Hurt, Jennings Yates and Bill Patton. Members of Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct military graveside rites. Friends may visit with the family from 6pm until 8pm on Sunday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia.

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

Greenhills Memory Gardens

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TG

“ I always was fond of uncle Gordon . I have not seen the fan in a bit, it suddenly hit me so I typed his name to see he has gone. I am sorry I missed visiting and I know he is with his baby girl cousin Peggy. R I p. Love , Timothy Gilbert Elizabethton Tennessee.



Timothy E Gilbert - March 18, 2025 at 09:00 AM

TJ

“ I got to know Gordon during my days of being a supervisor at Permac on Garden Creek. Gordon bossed for some of our independent contract mines. No matter the situation he always had a smile on his face. I used to teach the annual 8 hour MSHA training class for our contractors and when I had his mine it was always good for a laugh. Gordon would stand over at the old rescue squad building and raze me while I umpired little league baseball games. He was a great guy and wonderful part of the community

Tom Jessee - February 03, 2025 at 09:16 PM

TJ

“ Tom Jessee lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



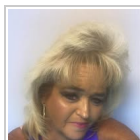
Tom Jessee - February 03, 2025 at 09:09 PM

BM

“ Kim, So sorry for your loss. We are remembering you and your family in prayer.
Betty and Jerry Monk



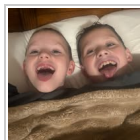
Betty Monk - February 03, 2025 at 07:55 PM



“ RIP Prayers for the family.
Rebecca Monk Street💜



Rebecca Street - February 03, 2025 at 01:57 PM



“ Karen Deel lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Karen Deel - February 03, 2025 at 08:06 AM

GA

“ GlendaRB Altizer lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



GlendaRB Altizer - February 02, 2025 at 11:00 PM



“ *I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Gordon Russ.*



February 02, 2025 at 10:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gordon Russ.

February 02, 2025 at 10:19 PM



“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. Sending thoughts & prayers for you all during this difficult time.*

Michael & Susan Ball

Michael & Susan Ball - February 02, 2025 at 09:23 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Gordon's passing. I knew him and worked with him for years. He was the pillar of The Richlands Rescue Squad. He was always so polite, kind and courteous to me. I considered him a friend and I know he will be truly missed My heart and prayers go out to his family and all his friends.*

Dee Barbour - February 02, 2025 at 07:33 PM

VN

“ Vicki Stumpp Nuckels lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Vicki Stumpp Nuckels - February 02, 2025 at 06:58 PM

JL

“ To the Russ Family we are so sorry for the loss of your loved one . MAY God comfort the family during this sad time of sorrow. He sure will be miss by his family and friends.Rest in Peace and Fly high Gordon.

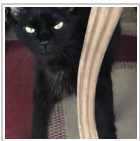
Jessica and Bessie Lowe - February 02, 2025 at 04:42 PM

LB

“ Loretta Smith Baker lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Loretta Smith Baker - February 02, 2025 at 03:59 PM



“ Davie Horton lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Davie Horton - February 02, 2025 at 02:39 PM

JC

“ *His involvement with the community and the people in it is legendary. He did a lot, he cared a lot, and he will be missed a lot.* ”

James Carmody - February 02, 2025 at 02:00 PM

BH

“ *Brian & Carmen Hess purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Gordon Russ.* ”



Brian & Carmen Hess - February 02, 2025 at 10:18 AM

RV

“ *Robin Vandyke lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ* ”



Robin Vandyke - February 02, 2025 at 10:15 AM

TM

“ *Tom and Dot McGlothlin lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ* ”



Tom and Dot McGlothlin - February 02, 2025 at 07:59 AM

AD

“ I met Gordon in the seventies when I worked at Jewell Ridge Elementary. He was so involved in his community and a staunch family man. In all the following years, he never changed those fine qualities. I admired his devotion to service and was honored to call him my dear friend.



To his family, I send much love and prayers to give you comfort. Only God can get you through this.

Anna Y. Damron - February 02, 2025 at 06:44 AM

TR

“ Tonya Roberts lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Tonya Roberts - February 02, 2025 at 02:42 AM

SM

“ I'm so saddened to hear of Gordon's passing. I grew up in Jewell Ridge Camp with Peggy and Kim. Life back then was actually as I think about it now like a movie. We did play til dark. Everyone knew each other. Everyone looked out for each other's kids. I literally remember when Eddie and Nancy got married. Shirley my heart is with you and Kim and definitely my prayers. I love you like family because that's what we were. I pray for God's peace to surround and keep you.

Sharon Mcglathlin - February 02, 2025 at 02:16 AM

MS

“ Love and prayers from. Cleveland. Lifesaving. Crew. Inc

Maxie Skeen - February 01, 2025 at 08:29 PM

RS

“ Didn't know a stranger



Robert M Stanford - February 01, 2025 at 07:59 PM

CV

“ Charlotte Vencille lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Charlotte Vencille - February 01, 2025 at 07:44 PM

CR

“ Chris Ryan Rogich lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Chris Ryan Rogich - February 01, 2025 at 07:16 PM

JS

“ Kim, Our condolences and prayers are with you and your family.



Juanita Sawyers - February 01, 2025 at 07:10 PM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



TonyanEdgar Wicks - February 01, 2025 at 07:04 PM



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DH

“ Shirley and family. My sincere condolences on the passing of Gordon. I pray God will grant you all comfort, peace and strength for the days to come.

Debra Riffe Harman - February 01, 2025 at 06:46 PM

BJ

“ Beth & Mark Johnson lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Beth & Mark Johnson - February 01, 2025 at 06:40 PM

LN

“ Leroy & Angie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Leroy & Angie Nelson - February 01, 2025 at 05:52 PM

RC

“ Rhonda Hess Cordle sent a virtual gift in memory of Gordon Russ



Rhonda Hess Cordle - February 01, 2025 at 05:49 PM

LN

“ Larry nelson lit a candle in memory of Gordon Russ



Larry nelson - February 01, 2025 at 05:24 PM