



Howard Patton

April 5, 1937 - May 13, 2007

Mr. Howard Tivis Patton, age 70, of Richlands, Virginia, passed away Sunday, May 13, 2007 in a Johnson City, Tennessee hospital following a brief illness. He was born in Richlands, Virginia and was the son of the late Earl T. and Edna Mildred Burke Patton, both former Jewell Ridge, Virginia residents. He had made his home in the Richlands area all of his life and was the former manager of Sears of Richlands, Virginia for thirty one years. He was a Richlands High School Class of 1955 graduate and had attended Clinch Valley College. He was member of the Tazewell-Russell Shrine, Richlands Masonic Lodge #318 AF & AM, lifetime member of the Richlands Rescue Squad, and had served on numerous boards and committees both for the Town of Richlands and Tazewell County. He was the chief election officer for local voting precincts and was a former winner and participant for over twenty years in the Dupont World Amateur Golf Tournament in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He was a member, deacon and Sunday school teacher at the Gethsemane Baptist Church in Richlands, Virginia. Survivors are: His Wife: Jean Shortt Patton Two Daughters: Kimberly Dawn Dula and husband, Terry of Tazewell, Virginia Barbette Patton and husband, Michael Smith of Cedar Bluff, Virginia One Sister: Linda Kay Patton of Richlands, Virginia One Brother: Billy Charles "Bill" Patton and wife, Karen of Richlands, Virginia Four Grandchildren: Phillip Dula, Carly Dula, Matthew Dula, Jackson Patton-Smith Funeral services for Mr. Howard Tivis Patton will be conducted Thursday, May 17, 2007 at 11:00am at the Gethsemane Baptist Church in Richlands, Virginia

with Rev. Jim Denton and Rev. Stafford Compton officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: B.J. Patton, T.J. Patton, Phillip Dula, Michael Smith, Jackson Patton-Smith, William Puckett, and Gary Damron. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Men of the Gethsemane Baptist Church, Steve Cooley, and Bob Tatum. Friends may call after 6:00pm Wednesday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia and one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the church. Masonic services will be conducted Wednesday evening at 7:00pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Gethsemane Baptist Church, 2902 Clinch Street, Richlands, Virginia 24641 or the American Heart Association, 4504 Starkey Rd., SW, Suite 115, Roanoke, Virginia 24014.

Tribute Wall



“ *Howard Patton*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Howard Patton*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Back in 1981, my wife was killed in a car accident on the curves up at Clifffield. A few days later I was to meet my insurance agent at Gateway soda fountain about a problem with the claim.*

Howard had just came in, smiling and knodding at the folks, as was his nature..

F. White - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Howard will be missed by many. We're so glad we had all the family reunions and we could stay close thru the years. We have many good memories.*

*Much love,
Loretta and Ron Whitt*

Loretta Whitt - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Howard was one of the finest.*

Dennis Simmons - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *Dearest Jean & Family*

There are no words to express the loss that I know you all are feeling. Tive was a fun-loving guy. He will certainly be rembered by us. Take care of each other and cling to all the good times you had; knowing you will be re-united. Love Ken & Betty

Ken & Betty Looney - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Jean*

I was so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. May God bless you and the whole family.

Delcia Clifton Alderson - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Howard's death, he was a dear friend and neighbor to Dad and Mom.*

You all are in my prayers.

Betty Ann Sawyer Sword

Betty Sawyer Sword - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ TO: Jean and family
Bill, Karen and family

We were sorry to hear about Howard. We are at our daughters in Kentucky and will not be able to attend the service.

Howard was a good friend for many years. He was well known and loved by all. He will be missed by the entire community.

Clarence Tatum - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad. May you find comfort in knowing that life continues as does love.*

Brenda Gail James - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Linda, Bill and Family, Jean, Kimberly and Barbette and Family
We are so sorry to hear of Howard's death. May God keep you in His loving arms as you cope with your loss. We will keep you in our Prayers.*

Jane Ellen Horton - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ *HOWARD WILL BE TRULEY MISSED IN OUR TOWN. OUR
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU IN YOUR TIME OF
SORROW.*

GARY & DIANA TAYLOR - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ To Jean and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Howard was a very sweet and kind man
and I know he will be missed. Sincerely, Teresa

Teresa Shelton Misco - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Howard was truly a Genteel Man from era past , always with a smile
and how you doing. He will surely be missed by all who knew him.
We will always carry our memories of him in our hearts. All our love
and prayers are with his family and friends.
All my life Howard & Jean have been like family to me and to my
children, very kind and loving people.

May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Linda, I am so sorry for your loss. If there is anything I can do
please let me know. You and the rest of the family are in my
prayers.

Judy C. West - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TW

“Howard was a wonderful, warm person who never failed to greet his friends with a hearty "Hello" and "How are you?". I always looked forward to seeing him at the election polls knowing that he would ask about myself and my family. He was always concerned about others.

When we first came to Richlands, he was a beacon of friendliness as we visited the Sears store quite often. He was always most helpful and, most of all, a good friend!

He will be sorely missed by his family, friends, and community. But, being a man of God, we can be assured of his eternal destiny. We must and can rely on the promises of our Lord Savior as He said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he may die, he will have eternal life."

*May the assurances of a life well-lived and the promises of a blessed reunion sustain you throughout the coming days.
May God bless and keep the Howard Patton family.*

Tom Witten - May 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM