



James VanDyke

September 9, 1938 - October 8, 2009

James Ferrell "Pete" VanDyke, age 71, of Richlands, Virginia, passed away, Thursday, October 8, 2009 in Kingsport, Tennessee. He was born in Tazewell County, Virginia and was the son of the late James E. Tucker and Cora Ellen Blankenship VanDyke. He had made his home in the Richlands area most of his life and was a graduate of Richlands High School. He served his country in the U.S. Army and later worked for W.B.F. White and Sons. Pete was of the Baptist faith and he loved to garden, fish, play poker and socialize with his many friends. He was a loving father, grandfather and brother and he will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by, his wife Virginia Beatrice Brown VanDyke, a son, Christopher Dale VanDyke, sisters, Lacy VanDyke, Rosetta VanDyke Harmon, Frances Vandyke Keene, Frankie G. VanDyke Absher and one brother, Earl Houston VanDyke. Those who survive him are: His Daughters: Sharon K. Shinall and husband Chuck of Richlands, VA Celena VanDyke of Richlands, VA Son, James Ferrell VanDyke, Jr. of Tazewell, VA Sisters: Joan Cole of Largo, FL Nancy Wise of Salem, VA Two Grandsons, Justin and Jonathan Keen Funeral services for James "Pete" VanDyke will be conducted at 8:00 pm Sunday, October 11, 2009 at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with Rev. Barry Absher officiating. Interment will follow at the Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery in Richlands, Virginia on Monday, October 12, 2009 at 11:00am. Pallbearers will be: Randy Tabor, Jerry Tabor, Mark Bullion, Curtis Smith, Barry Whitt, and James VanDyke,

Jr. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Gene Dye, Hurley Absher, Anthony Tatum, and Mike Ross. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the VFW Casey-Shortt Post# 9640. Friends may call after 6:00pm Sunday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia.

Tribute Wall



“ *James VanDyke*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *James VanDyke*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Please accept my sincere condolences on Pete's passing. It has been a sad for us all.*

My thoughts and prayers are offered to Pete's children and other survivors that may be comforted during this difficult time.

Pete was such a cut-up--he always had a quick joke to get a good giggle out of me anytime I had a chance to see him.

*Love,
Chris*

Chris Blume - October 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jimmy, Sharon, and Celena:
I am very sorry to hear of your loss. I am praying for strength for you at this difficult time. Take care of each other.*

Connie Royer - October 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Celena, Sharon and Jimmie,
We were so sad to hear about Pete. Shelby and Jeannie are here
for a visit and send their regards. Jim and I will miss our Dallas
Cowboy fan.*

Dot

October 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry about Pete. We are having our reunion tonight and
we will miss him. May God Bless you all in your sorrow. I will tell the
other classmates. Take care.*

Sylvia and the Class of 58

Sylvia McGlothlin Class of 1958 - October 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I just want to let the family know that they are much in our prayers.
The last time I spoke with Pete was on the phone a few months
back. I am thankful for that conversation. Again please know that
our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God Bless all. Sandy
Harmon Sparks Rosetta Vandyke Harmon's daughter*

Sandy Harmon Sparks - October 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM