



## McGinnis Wayne Rife

May 10, 1947 - June 21, 2025

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith” 2  
Timothy 4:7

McGinnis Wayne (Mac) Rife, age 78, of Richlands, VA, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family following a lengthy illness on Saturday, June 21, 2025.

Mac was born on May 10, 1947 at Pea Patch, VA and was the son of the late Joe and Elizabeth Day Rife.

Mac was a 1965 graduate of Whitewood High School and was a proud U.S. Army Veteran. He was a retired custodian from Whitewood Elementary School. Mac was of the Pentecostal Faith and was a founding member and former Pastor of the Community Holiness Church (Shiloh Temple) at Pea Patch, VA and a Pastor at the House of Prayer in Jewell Valley, VA for many years. He was a current member of the Tabernacle of Praise in Richlands, VA. Mac loved going to church and spending time with his family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Jason Rife; two sisters Rosa “Bernice” Ledbetter and Dinah Foley; and four brothers Ernest, Joe Jr., David and infant brother Donnie.

Survivors include:

His Daughter: Melissa Keen and husband Dwayne of Cedar Bluff

His Son: Justin and wife Sandra of Cedar Bluff

Two Grandchildren: Austin Keen and Madison Keen both of Cedar Bluff

Mother of his children and caregiver: Sharon Rife of Jewell Ridge

Special daughter-in-law: Tammy Cruvey of Richlands

Three Brothers:

Tony Rife and wife, Dora of Woodlawn, VA

Miles Rife and wife, Kathy of Jewell Ridge, VA

Lonnie Rife and wife, Shirley of Whitewood, VA

Three Sisters:

Elouise Cooper of Galax, VA

Anita Cicala of Greencastle, PA

Doris Ruscio of Woodlawn, VA

Mac is also survived by several special nieces and nephews and many friends.

Special "Thank You" for the exceptional care Mac received during the duration of his illness to the following:

Dr. Ramesh Kabaria and staff; Dr. Fady Tawardos and staff; Ultra Health Home Care and Helping Hands Hospice staff, nurses Chad Hurley, Tangie Scarberry, Carrie Matney and Anjelica Peace; Caregivers: Carolyn Street and Rhonda Westbrook

Funeral services for McGinnis (Mac) Rife will be conducted Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at 12pm at the Shiloh Temple Church on Pea Patch with the Rev. Keith

Rife and Pastor Norma Mabe officiating. Burial will follow at the Rife Family Cemetery on Pea Patch. Nephews will serve as pallbearers. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Allen Johnson and Brad Taylor. Friends may visit with the family on Monday, June 23, 2025 from 6pm until 9pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia. Military honors will be conducted at 7pm on Monday evening by the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640. 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

## Rife Cemetery

Pea Patch, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **23**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

## Military Rites

JUN **23**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JUN **24**. 12:00 PM.

Shiloh Temple  
Pea Patch Road  
Whitewood, VA



# Tribute Wall



“ Hurst-Scott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of McGinnis Wayne Rife



Hurst-Scott Funeral Home - July 04, 2025 at 08:01 AM



“ Tom and Dot McGlothlin lit a candle in memory of McGinnis Rife



Tom and Dot McGlothlin - July 11, 2025 at 07:57 AM



“ James & Ruby Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of McGinnis Rife



James & Ruby Harmon - June 24, 2025 at 09:50 AM

VM

“ I will miss you Uncle Mac . I love you



Veronica Mullins - June 24, 2025 at 01:47 AM

JH

“ James & Ruby Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of McGinnis Rife



James & Ruby Harmon - June 23, 2025 at 10:06 PM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of McGinnis Rife



TonyanEdgar Wicks - June 23, 2025 at 08:52 AM

RW

“ Ralph Ward lit a candle in memory of McGinnis Rife



Ralph Ward - June 23, 2025 at 08:20 AM

RH

“ He married David and I on September 18, 1999. Best day ever!! I have thought of him often. He was a wonderful person!!

Raissa Hatfield - June 23, 2025 at 06:29 AM

BA

“ I worked security/valet for years at CVMC and got to know Mac pretty well from talking to him on his way in to eat and on his way out. He had a joke ready for me just about everyday and they always brightened my day. Prayers to the family, he was a good man and is now in God's hands.

Blake Altizer - June 22, 2025 at 04:16 PM

DC

“ Mac was a very nice and special neighbor when he lived up on the mtn. Always soft spoken with a smile i remember he had a very sm puppy that kept coming to our house i gave it bk 3 times finally Mac laughed and daid u might as well keep him i said i dont want it But i did keep the little guy and named him Mcginnis (lol) Mac would always stop n see him and smile RIP friend all is good now



Diane Cooper - June 22, 2025 at 11:37 AM

SK

“ So sorry for all you who are left behind... enjoyed being in church with bro Mac when I was growing up...

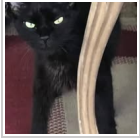


Sheila and Ricky Keato - June 21, 2025 at 10:37 PM

VH

“ *McGinnis Was family to me and the rest of Jason family is always my family. I was and will always be his Daughter N Law. I love the whole family. Sending my thoughts and prayers to all the family.* ”

Vanessa Hill - June 21, 2025 at 09:32 PM



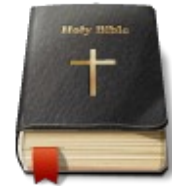
“ *Davie Horton lit a candle in memory of McGinnis Rife* ”



Davie Horton - June 21, 2025 at 07:20 PM

CC

“ *CATHY CORDLE sent a virtual gift in memory of McGinnis Rife* ”



CATHY CORDLE - June 21, 2025 at 05:47 PM