



## Douglas Bland Hudgins

July 25, 2024

Douglas Bland Hudgins (1969 - 2024)

Douglas Bland Hudgins, 54, of Blacksburg, VA, died on July 25, 2024.

Doug was born in Richmond, VA in 1969 to H. Bland Hudgins and Gaylia Kline Hudgins and grew up in Mathews, VA with his older sister Vaniene. He played football and loved to sing in church. Doug attended Mathews High School before receiving a bachelor's and two master's degrees in engineering at Virginia Tech. After college, he stayed in Blacksburg and became a highly-respected and sought after environmental engineer. In 1995, he met his wife Cathy and became a devoted stepfather to his children Alli and John, and a loving father to his son Zachary in 1998.

One of his favorite days in the whole year was the opening of dove hunting season. But his greatest passion was fly fishing, which also endowed him with lifelong friendships, took him around the world in his quest for the greatest trout streams, and filled him with a profound sense of peace. He was a lifelong Hokie who loved to tailgate with friends and family.

Along with being a sporting man, Doug was a devout Christian and an active member and leader of the Blacksburg United Methodist Church. He was a beloved Sunday School teacher to kids of all ages – “Mr. Doug” made the best

chocolate chip muffins as a special treat for them. He also was a kind and compassionate mentor to children and families in the community.

Family and friends will remember Doug as a strong, reliable anchor with a wily, infectious sense of humor. He was genuinely interested in everyone he met. No matter what, he was there to offer a helping hand, strong shoulder, and kind word.

Doug was preceded in death by his father H. Bland Hudgins. He is survived by his wife Cathy Mills Hudgins, daughter Alli Dyer & her husband AJ Minette, son John Dyer & his husband David Williams, son Zachary Hudgins, mother Gaylia Kline Hudgins, sister Vaniene DeLucas & her husband Jim DeLucas, nephew Cole DeLucas & his wife Emily DeLucas, and niece Addisen DeLucas Good & her husband Jonny Good. He is also survived by his sweet dog, Artie.

The memorial will be on July 30, 2024 at 7 pm at the Edges campus of Blacksburg United Methodist Church, 706 Harding Avenue in Blacksburg, VA. The visitation will be from 2 -3 pm and funeral service from 3 - 4 pm on July 31, 2024 at McCoy Funeral Home, 150 Country Club Dr SW in Blacksburg, VA.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 30. 7:00 PM (ET)

The Edges Campus of Blacksburg U.M.C.  
706 Harding Ave  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

## Visitation

JUL 31. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home  
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060  
(540) 552-3211  
[mccoyfuneralhome@verizon.net](mailto:mccoyfuneralhome@verizon.net)  
<https://mccoyfuneralhome.com>

## Memorial Service

JUL 31. 3:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel  
150 Country Club Dr S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

# Tribute Wall

BC

“ Dear Gaylia and family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss.  
May God bless each of you with His peace.

Betty Helbig Collins - August 10, 2024 at 11:15 AM

RB

“ Prayers for Doug's family and colleagues. He was a great friend and mentor to so many over the years and always had that big smile on his face and would help anyone that needed his help. Doug will truly be missed.

Robert B Boyer - August 01, 2024 at 08:28 AM

PH

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for Doug's family and friends.

Pamela Holder - July 31, 2024 at 02:41 PM

BS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Doug's family, close friends, and co-workers. He will be missed. Bill Spencer

Bill Spencer - July 31, 2024 at 10:25 AM

JC

“ John, Chip and Buzz Crosby purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



John, Chip and Buzz Crosby - July 31, 2024 at 08:16 AM

JC

“ John, Chip and Buzz Crosby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

John, Chip and Buzz Crosby - July 31, 2024 at 08:16 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 09:13 PM

GW

“ Grayson Wimbish planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Grayson Wimbish - July 30, 2024 at 09:13 PM

LL

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Doug's passing. Please know that my prayers are with the family and all his friends and coworkers I worked with Doug at Olver then CHA for 13 years. He was always willing to help me with anything I asked him to help with. He will be missed.

Linda Lawson - July 30, 2024 at 09:07 PM

WA

“ Wayne A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Wayne A. - July 30, 2024 at 03:57 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 03:43 PM

EC

“ English Construction Company planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

English Construction Company - July 30, 2024 at 03:43 PM

DB

“ Dale B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Dale B. - July 30, 2024 at 03:24 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 02:50 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 01:54 PM



“ Carol Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Carol Smith - July 30, 2024 at 01:54 PM



“ Jessica N. purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Jessica N. - July 30, 2024 at 12:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ Mark Dyer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Mark Dyer - July 30, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ Hemington Wealth Management purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Hemington Wealth Management - July 30, 2024 at 10:34 AM



“ The Vogels purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



The Vogels - July 30, 2024 at 10:17 AM

TV

“ The Vogels planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

The Vogels - July 30, 2024 at 10:17 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 30, 2024 at 08:35 AM

TR

“ The Town of Front Royal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

The Town of Front Royal - July 30, 2024 at 08:35 AM

OH

“ Olivia Sheffer and Aaron Hales purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Olivia Sheffer and Aaron Hales - July 29, 2024 at 11:17 PM

LA

“ *Lawrence and Vicki Ambrose purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**Lawrence and Vicki Ambrose** - July 29, 2024 at 10:16 PM

LI

“ *Doug took my son and husband fishing when we visited with Cathy several years back. He was so patient and kind in sharing his love for fishing with my family. Sending our love and prayers.*

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**Lisa** - July 29, 2024 at 09:50 PM

LG

“ *Love Kevin, Amber and Gloria Godsey purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**Love Kevin, Amber and Gloria Godsey** - July 29, 2024 at 09:02 PM

LG

“ *Love Kevin, Amber and Gloria Godsey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*

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**Love Kevin, Amber and Gloria Godsey** - July 29, 2024 at 09:02 PM

TV

“ The Town of Rich Creek, VA purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



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**The Town of Rich Creek, VA** - July 29, 2024 at 07:06 PM

TV

“ The Town of Rich Creek, VA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

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**The Town of Rich Creek, VA** - July 29, 2024 at 07:06 PM

CD

“ Craig D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

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**Craig D.** - July 29, 2024 at 04:09 PM

TV

“ Town Council and staff of Glasgow, Va purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



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**Town Council and staff of Glasgow, Va** - July 29, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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July 29, 2024 at 02:09 PM



“ *Jim Grant and EW2 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*

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**Jim Grant and EW2** - July 29, 2024 at 02:09 PM



“ *Ovivo purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**Ovivo** - July 29, 2024 at 01:52 PM



“ *Derek Copeland, Joshua Goff, Jessica Keller, Dale Lehnig planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*

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**Derek Copeland, Joshua Goff, Jessica Keller, Dale Lehnig** - July 29, 2024 at 01:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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July 29, 2024 at 11:56 AM



“ *The Dean Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*

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**The Dean Family** - July 29, 2024 at 11:56 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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July 29, 2024 at 11:36 AM



“ *The Lane Group purchased the Ocean Breeze S pray for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**The Lane Group** - July 29, 2024 at 10:35 AM

TG

“ The Lane Group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

The Lane Group - July 29, 2024 at 10:35 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 29, 2024 at 10:32 AM

NA

“ NELSON COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



NELSON COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY - July 29, 2024 at 08:58 AM

NA

“ NELSON COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

NELSON COUNTY SERVICE AUTHORITY - July 29, 2024 at 08:58 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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July 29, 2024 at 08:58 AM



“ *Mark Morgan and Heyward Staff purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**Mark Morgan and Heyward Staff** - July 29, 2024 at 08:55 AM



“ *Town of Purcellville purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.*



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**Town of Purcellville** - July 29, 2024 at 07:29 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Chris Miller** - July 28, 2024 at 08:46 PM

CM

*I don't remember when I first met Doug, but it was before 2007 as he was supposed to go on my first dep sea fishing trip in Hatteras and ended up not going. Doug was a colleague and a friend. This picture from 2008 might have been the last time I saw him in person. I would call and talk to him about projects and over the last several years I had been trying to catch up in person when he would come out to the Nebraska area to go hunting. Doug always was helpful, and I enjoyed talking to him. I will miss our conversations and the engineering world will miss his dedication to the profession. I never had the privilege to meet the Hudgins family, but I want you to know he was a great person, and I can't imagine your feelings of loss. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers - God Bless.*

*Chris Miller*

Chris Miller - July 28, 2024 at 08:58 PM

VD

*Thank you so much  
Vaniene - Dougs sister*

Vaniene DeLucas - August 01, 2024 at 10:34 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



July 28, 2024 at 08:00 PM

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“ The Cantrells (Courtney) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

The Cantrells (Courtney) - July 28, 2024 at 08:00 PM

MD

“ Maggie Doolan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



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**Maggie Doolan** - July 28, 2024 at 05:19 PM

MD

“ Maggie Doolan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

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**Maggie Doolan** - July 28, 2024 at 05:19 PM

LW

“ Ms Gaylia and family,  
Let your memories with Douglas give you peace and comfort during this sad time. May the love of God wrap each of you in the days to come. Know that many are praying for you all.

*Leslie Ann Whitehead*



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**Leslie Ann Whitehead** - July 28, 2024 at 12:51 PM

ES

“ Earl S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

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**Earl S.** - July 28, 2024 at 10:13 AM

CM

“ Craig and Paula Moore purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Craig and Paula Moore - July 28, 2024 at 10:05 AM

CC

“ Chirag C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Bland Hudgins.

Chirag C. - July 27, 2024 at 08:25 PM

CH

“ Colleagues from HCPSA purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Colleagues from HCPSA - July 27, 2024 at 08:23 PM

KK

“ Kaleigh, Sarah, and Kate purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



Kaleigh, Sarah, and Kate - July 27, 2024 at 07:16 PM

TK

“ Tony, Kristi, Abby, Meagan & Hope Keatts purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Douglas Bland Hudgins.



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**Tony, Kristi, Abby, Meagan & Hope Keatts** - July 27, 2024 at 07:15 PM

JG

“ As a sales engineer with a manufacturers rep company, I called on Doug for 27 years. He was always welcoming from his days at Draper Aden to CHA. I considered him a friend as well as a business associate and will be personally missed. He was very detailed in his engineering design and continued to assess and evaluate until the job was completed. The Virginia environmental engineering field lost a great one. I pray for his family and colleagues at CHA for strength, comfort and healing during this time of mourning.

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**Jim Grant** - July 27, 2024 at 03:58 PM