



## Earl Thomas Winters

January 5, 1945 - March 3, 2026

Earl Thomas Winters, age 81 of Christiansburg, Virginia died, Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at the Salem VA Medical Center. He was born in Blacksburg, Virginia on January 5, 1945, to the late Carl Waitzel, Sr. and Else Idora Hungate Winters. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, William “Dan” Winters, Carl “Waitzel” Winters, Jr., Betty Lee Smith, JoAnne Orange, Jack Winters, Jimmy Winters, Martha “Ruth” Winters, and Merl Winters and grandson-in-law, Robert William Custer.

He is survived by his daughter, Vicki L. Dowdy (Miami); son, David Winters (Kim); sisters and brothers-in-law, Lilly Thomas (Larry) and Shirley Parsons (Jim); brothers and sisters-in-law, Larry Edward Winters (Linda), Roscoe Winters (Joyce), and Glen Winters; grandchildren, Shane Lawson, Joshua “Tanner” Lawson, and Brittany Custer; as well as numerous other family members; and special friend and caregiver Mary Henderson.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, March 14, 2026, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at McCoy Funeral Home, 150 Country Club Drive S.W., Blacksburg, Virginia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **14**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home  
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.  
Blacksburg, VA 24060  
(540) 552-3211  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mark & Suzanne purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Earl Thomas Winters.*



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**Mark & Suzanne** - March 12 at 02:35 PM



“ *Brijesh Patel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earl Thomas Winters.*

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**Brijesh Patel** - March 10 at 04:51 PM



“ *Brijesh Patel purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Earl Thomas Winters.*



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“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Earl Thomas Winters.*



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March 08 at 03:00 PM

TH

“ Earl and I grew up together, We had fun going place,, he went with us to church and we had fun walking a round the neighbor hood of Merrimac.

Tom Henry - March 05 at 04:21 PM

DA

“ Dale Martin, Amanda & Alisha purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Earl Thomas Winters.



Dale Martin, Amanda & Alisha - March 05 at 01:35 PM

CE

“ I have known the family for years I used to take Earl to Dialysis three days a week he was a great man as well as his family how they always treated me Earl will be deeply missed

Charles Estep - March 05 at 12:21 PM

CH

I'm so sorry for your loss Vicki. Your dad was a great person. And he loved you a whole lot. You was his world. If I knew about his passing I would have found a way to get there. God bless love you always.  
Christine (mama)Honey and Chicken

Christine Haddock-Verges - March 29 at 06:43 PM