



Robert Lee Yates

December 31, 2023

Robert Lee Yates, 94, of Christiansburg, passed away on December 31, 2023, at his home. He was a member of the Fairlawn Church of God. Bob was retired from RAAP as Maintenance Supervisor. He taught Sunday School and led the choir for many years at the Merrimac Pentecostal Holiness Church. He touched everyone he came in contact with, and was willing to help anyone who needed it, but most of all he was a wonderful husband, father, and papaw. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Edith Graham Yates; brothers, Oliver, Clyde, Jack, Bill, and Gene Yates; sisters, Frances Pettus and Allie Martin. Survivors include his wife of 73 years, Eula Clairmont Yates; children, Vicky Moore (Mike), Ron Yates (Pat), and Jennifer Yates; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; as well as many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank our special caregiver, Theresa Lovern. We could not have made it without you.

Funeral services will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Fairlawn Church of God, 7858 Peppers Ferry Blvd., Fairlawn, VA 24141.

Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

Tribute Wall

DC

“ *David Caldwell lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Yates*



David Caldwell - February 13, 2024 at 09:34 AM

CD

“ *Chris Davis lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Yates*



Chris Davis - January 05, 2024 at 11:41 AM

VS

“ *VT SOVA lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Yates*



VT SOVA - January 04, 2024 at 12:13 PM

DA

“ *Jennifer,
So sorry for your loss. May you hold on to your wonderful memories of your loved one. We are thinking of you. VT CO*

Darlene - January 04, 2024 at 12:04 PM

VA

“ Virginia Tech AAD lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Yates



Virginia Tech AAD - January 04, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ Prayers to the family

Scott Bunn - January 02, 2024 at 04:37 PM

DG

“ So sorry for your loss Bobby was a great man I joyed him at Merrimac church so much thinking of you all prayers Drema Linkous

drema linkous gibson - January 02, 2024 at 01:13 PM

SA

“ I've known him since I first started going to Merrimack Church,,I was 7 years old when I started going to church there,,so heartbreaking to hear his passing,,MY HE REST IN PARADISE 🙏🕊️🙏 HE'S WALKING HAND AND HAND IN HEAVEN WITH GOD WALKING THE STREETS OF GOLD NOW 🙏🕊️🙏

Samuel Anderson - January 02, 2024 at 12:23 PM

KI

“ Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of your loved one. Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs.

Kimberly Linkous Woolwine

Kim - January 02, 2024 at 10:01 AM

KD

“ Our loss is truly heaven’s gain. Such a gentle giant, a man of few words, a mentor, and truly a man of God. I will forever treasure the memories I have of Bob in church, playing as a child at his home and later visiting him as an adult looking for advice. Many prayers to the entire family.

A special hug to Jen who has always been a wonderful friend, much like her father,

Kim Dix - January 02, 2024 at 09:55 AM

VM

“ Deepest Sympathy to Bob's family.Holding you up in prayers during this difficult time for each of you.Bob was a very special,kind, and always loved the Lord.He always let his light shine.Love you, Bobby & Vanessa Medley

Vanessa Medley - January 01, 2024 at 09:19 PM

BE

“ Our love and condolences to the Yates Family.. Bob was a wonderful man, soft spoken and kind. We will always be grateful for his music talents at Merrimac church..we loved him and Claremont along with their wonderful family, Vicky, Ronnie, Jennifer. Our prayers to all of you in this time of sadness.. Barbara and Carl Early.

Barbara Early - January 01, 2024 at 07:59 PM

JR

“Remembering a life well lived. What an amazing man and friend. Bob touched many lives through the years with his beautiful singing and talented choir directing. He was a dedicated and progressive individual never hesitating to incorporate new musical selections and styles. His close walk with God enhanced his ability to select the right music for the right time. I played piano for Bob many times and was always amazed at how quickly he would master a piece of music. It was never a chore playing for Bob – it was an honor and privilege.

My deepest sympathy to each of you.

James Richardson & Kathleen Linkous

“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing” 2 Timothy 4:7-8 KJV

James Richardson - January 01, 2024 at 05:34 PM