



## Harry Stephen Rakes

December 8, 1950 - April 25, 2022

Harry Stephen Rakes, age 71 passed away Monday, April 25, 2022 at Lee Health & Rehab in Pennington Gap, VA. Steve was a 1969 graduate of Clintwood High School where he played baseball and football. He was known as “Foxhunter” and had won numerous trophies for his foxhounds. He was also an avid fan of Nascar. Steve worked most of his life as a coal equipment operator.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Walter and Dora Burchett; Lawrence Mercer; and Lewis and Vivian Dowdy. Parents: Bernard and Wanda Rakes. Brother: Gary Rakes. Niece and Nephew: Candace and Christopher Rakes.

Survivors include:

Brothers: Randy (Joyce) Rakes of Roanoke, VA. Pat (Lola) Rakes of Mt. Carmel, TN.

Sisters: Kathy (Bruce) Wilmoth of Vinton, VA. and Pam (Oakley) Collins of Wise, VA

Aunts: Lorraine (JD) Nicewonder and Ann McFall

Several nieces and nephews

The family will receive friends, Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 1 pm at Mullins Funeral Home Chapel with a celebration of life service at 2 pm conducted by his brother-in-law, Bruce Wilmoth. Burial will follow in Phipps Memorial Cemetery, Clintwood, Virginia.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Candace Rakes Memorial Scholarship Fund at UVA Wise.

Mullins Funeral Home and Staff are serving the Rakes Family. Online condolences may be made at [www.mullinsfuneralhome.net](http://www.mullinsfuneralhome.net)

# Cemetery Details

## **Phipps Memorial Cemetery**

Clintwood, VA 24228

# Previous Events

## **Family will receive friends**

**APR 30.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory  
210 Main Street  
P O Box 928  
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## **celebration of life service**

**APR 30.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Lisa And Rick Bolling lit a candle in memory of Harry Stephen Rakes



Lisa and Rick Bolling - May 03, 2022 at 05:49 AM

SA

“ Sandra Atkins lit a candle in memory of Harry Stephen Rakes



Sandra Atkins - April 30, 2022 at 01:49 AM

SA

*I will always remember his smile and laugh. All of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Love you.*

Sandra Atkins - April 30, 2022 at 01:55 AM

DL

“ DIANA PHIPPS, RANDA & LANDON purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Harry Stephen Rakes.



DIANA PHIPPS, RANDA & LANDON - April 29, 2022 at 11:18 AM



“ Roma Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Harry Stephen Rakes



Roma Blankenship - April 28, 2022 at 06:30 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Steve. I am flying to Maryland Saturday so I will not be able to attend services. All of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Love you

Rhonda Miller - April 27, 2022 at 09:54 PM



“ Carolyn, Sherry and Mark Nicewonder purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Harry Stephen Rakes.



Carolyn, Sherry and Mark Nicewonder - April 27, 2022 at 05:35 PM



“ Pam and Kathy and family, so very sorry for the loss of your brother, Steve. Prayers for strength and comfort. Onedah, Ed, Farrell and Anthony Stanley

Onedah Stanley - April 27, 2022 at 12:02 PM

TB

“ Prayers for the family of our friend Steve. God bless, Tommy & Amy Bright

Tommy Bright - April 27, 2022 at 11:04 AM

AM

“ My heartfelt condolences to all the Rakes family. God bless and comfort each of you.  
Anna McCowan



Anna McCowan - April 27, 2022 at 06:55 AM

RM

My condolences to all the Rakes family Steve was a good one

Randy Mullins - April 27, 2022 at 05:18 PM

MT

“ My prayers are with the Rakes family at this time. Steve was a super sweet, kind, and talented man. May he rest in peace.

Marsha Raines Turpin - April 26, 2022 at 09:04 PM