



## John L Jenkins

May 23, 1943 - February 11, 2022

John L. Jenkins, age 79, of Nora, Virginia, passed away to be with his Heavenly Father Friday, February 11, 2022 at Bristol Memorial Regional Hospital surrounded by his family, following a farm dozer accident. He was born May 23, 1943 in Wakenva, Virginia, a son of the late Lofie and Effie Holbrook Jenkins.

His work ethic was likened to a Duracell battery. He kept his namesake “John L. Lewis” eyebrows. He was a beloved shepherd of his flock and the Lord’s. His motto “I would rather wear out than rust out”. If ever there was a walking historian, he possessed the “facts”. Memories recalled the hardships of his family, brothers adventures, neighbors, and community. Dedicated to his family, farm and garden.

He attended and was baptized in 1974 at the St. Paul United Methodist Church, St. Paul, Virginia. John and his wife Lois Gay loved to work the Farmers Markets in Clintwood and Abingdon, Virginia. They were vendors at the Fall Fling in Wise, Virginia for six years.

He attended Ervinton High School in Nora, Virginia. His preparation for about 40 years in construction was certifications in Masonary and Welding. The Army draft called in 1965. He served in the U.S. Army Reserves for eight years, 80th Division, 319 Regiment, and was attached to the 4th Infantry. He graduated Drill Sergeant at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina, then transferred to

train troops in Ft. Lewis, Washington. His awards were Good Conduct Medals, Marksmanship, and qualifications were the 50 cc Automatic Machine Gun, M I Rifle, M14 and M16 Automatic Rifles, M60 Machine Gun and the M79 Rocket Launchers. He took great pride in his military service, he was proud to wear the title "Veteran".

Also, he was a member of the Coalfield Sheep Association, Clintwood, Virginia.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Robert, Harold, Eugene(Army), Earl and wife Lois, and Glen; and one sister, Glenda Kay.

He is survived by:

His Wife of 53 years: Lois Gay Jenkins

Three Brothers: Don Jenkins(Army) and wife, Gloria of Abingdon, Virginia; Bill "Billy Joe" Jenkins(Army) and wife, Linda of Bristol, Virginia, and Rick "Ricky" and wife, Diane of Jonesville, Virginia

Three Sisters: Vangeline Chafin and husband, Dean of Bristol, Tennessee; Brenda Hobbs of Bristol, Tennessee; and Phyllis Denton and husband, Larry of Bristol, Virginia

Three Sisters-in-law: Margaret Jenkins of Chrestview, Florida; Carol Jenkins of Lebanon, Virginia; and Cornelia Jenkins of Castlewood, Virginia

A spiritually-adopted daughter: Jennifer "Jinn" Gibson of Castlewood, Virginia

John's loving dog companion: "Sweets" of the home

The family will receive friends Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church. A Celebration of Life Service will follow at 12:30 p.m. at the St. Paul United Methodist Church with Rev. Pam Sutherland and Rev. LeRoy Hull officiating. Masks and social distancing will be required. Burial will follow in the Jenkins Family Cemetery, Long Ridge Section, Nora, Virginia with VA Army National Guard performing Military Honors.

Pallbearers will be Bill Jenkins, Glen Jenkins, Jr.(Navy and Army), Lee Jenkins, Jason Hobbs, Dearl Long, Damon Rasnick, and John Damon Rasnick.

Honorary pallbearers will be Curt Mullins, Damon Rasnick family, John Damon Rasnick family, Steve, Allen, Paul and Curt Jenkins, Ernie Jenkins, Robert Jenkins, Michael Jenkins, Dennis Jenkins, Brian Jenkins, Lee and Josh Jenkins, Travis Mullins, Jerry Stinson, Charlie Wood, Scott Mullins, Danny Powers, Donald "Slick" Osborne, Dennis Sutherland, Bob, Adam, Sam, Matt Gibson, Bob Bryant, Dwight McCoy, Lee Hale Rev. Orlando Salazar, Rev. Jeff Wright, Rev. Le Roy Hull, Neil McCoy, Bob Harrison, Men of St. Paul Methodist Church, and all Veterans(Guard Dogs).

The family would like to extend special thanks to all the Trauma and Critical Care Team Doctors and the ICU4 Nurses at Bristol Memorial Regional Hospital and the Chaplain Scott Broyles, Bristol, Tennessee. Loving thanks to family and friends for calls, texts, cards, and flowers.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor John may contribute to the Jenkins Family Cemetery. Mail to Mrs. Brenda Hobbs, 2437 Windsor Ave, Bristol, TN 37620.

John is now reunited with his Lord and Savior and loving family. Praise the Lord!

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

# Cemetery Details

## Jenkins Family Cemetery

Long Ridge Section  
Nora, VA 24272

# Previous Events

## Family will receive friends

FEB 17. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

St Paul United Methodist Church  
5th Avenue  
St Paul, VA 24283

## celebration of life service

FEB 17. 12:30 PM (ET)

St Paul United Methodist Church  
5th Avenue  
St Paul, VA 24283

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of John L Jenkins*



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**Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory** - February 16, 2022 at 04:10 PM

NC

“ *Nell Colvard lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



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**Nell Colvard** - February 19, 2022 at 12:39 PM

DG

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I did not realize that John had passed until after the funeral. I knew of the accident, but did not realize John was involved. May God bless you during this time. My prayers are with you and your families*

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**Dan Glass** - February 18, 2022 at 10:02 AM

DM

“ *Danny Lois Meade lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**Danny Lois Meade** - February 17, 2022 at 06:54 AM

AJ

“ *Ms. Jenkins, My heart goes out to you. I am so very sorry for your loss. Sending Many Prayers and Much love.*



**Arvena Johnson-Osborne** - February 17, 2022 at 12:40 AM

DG

“ *Darlene Glovier lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**Darlene Glovier** - February 16, 2022 at 09:50 PM

BR

“ *Bill And Connie Robinson lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**Bill and Connie Robinson** - February 16, 2022 at 07:28 PM

JH

“ We got acquainted with John through the Hair Sheep Association. Our prayers are with the family. Johnny and Tenecia Hackney

Johnny and Tenecia Hackney - February 16, 2022 at 06:09 PM

EK

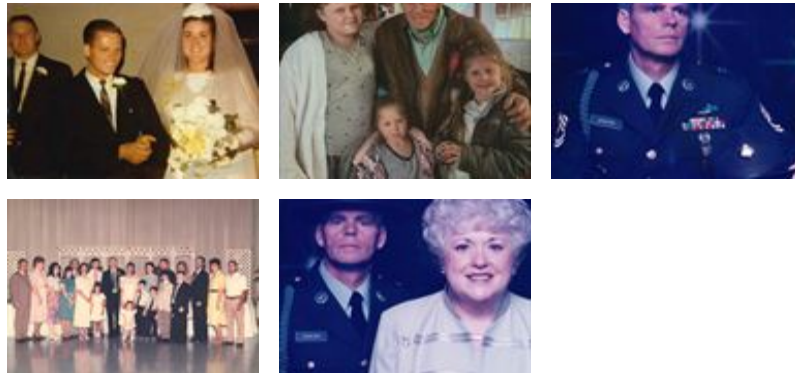
“ Emma Kay lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Emma Kay - February 16, 2022 at 05:36 PM



“ 33 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory - February 16, 2022 at 03:47 PM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss, prayers for all of the family.

Charlotte Counts



Chad Counts - February 16, 2022 at 03:13 PM

SB

“ *Sandra Thomas Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of John L Jenkins*



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**Sandra Thomas Bryant** - February 16, 2022 at 02:17 PM

BP

“ *Sorry for your loss. My Prayers are with the family.*

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**Barbara Mccowan Plaster** - February 16, 2022 at 02:03 PM

LW

“ *Lisa Woods lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



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**Lisa Woods** - February 16, 2022 at 11:58 AM

SH

“ *Sam And Teresa (Miller) Hughes lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



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**Sam and Teresa (Miller) Hughes** - February 16, 2022 at 10:48 AM

TB

“ We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of our dear friend Brother John Jenkins, but we know he is rejoicing in his reward of Heaven. We are praying for you Sister Gay, we love you.

Tommy & Amy Bright - February 16, 2022 at 10:32 AM

SW

“ Sue Wiley lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Sue Wiley - February 16, 2022 at 10:02 AM

DW

“ Don Wallace lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Don Wallace - February 16, 2022 at 09:49 AM

MC

“ Mike And Deb Collins lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Mike and Deb Collins - February 16, 2022 at 09:26 AM

RB

“ Randy And Felicia Brooks lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Randy and Felicia Brooks - February 16, 2022 at 09:05 AM

MJ

“ Michael Jenkins



Michael Jenkins - February 16, 2022 at 08:57 AM

MM

“ Mark & Karen (Jenkins) Martin sent a virtual gift in memory of John L Jenkins



Mark & Karen (Jenkins) Martin - February 16, 2022 at 08:53 AM

CS

“ Jim & Clara (Long) Scott



Clara Scott - February 16, 2022 at 08:49 AM

L,

“ *Uncle John will be greatly missed.. He loved the Lord and family.. Prayer for Aunt Gay and Family..*



**Lori & Brian Yeary ,Ethan** - February 15, 2022 at 08:09 PM

EP

“ *Elizabeth And David Powers lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**Elizabeth and David Powers** - February 15, 2022 at 08:05 PM

JC

“ *JD And Janice Cassell lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**JD and Janice Cassell** - February 15, 2022 at 07:46 PM

JA

“ *Janicemartin lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins*



**janicemartin** - February 15, 2022 at 07:31 PM

JR

“ Jimmy,Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson lit a candle in memory of John L Jenkins



Jimmy,Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson - February 15, 2022 at 05:21 PM

BI

“ Uncle John was one of the smartest men I ever knew. Loved god and family. He will be missed greatly. Prayers to aunt Gay and the rest of the family for healing in this time

Brian & Jen Jenkins, Shawn & Isaiah - February 15, 2022 at 05:21 PM

LD

“ Larry And Linda Taylor Dingus sent a virtual gift in memory of John L Jenkins



Larry and Linda Taylor Dingus - February 15, 2022 at 04:51 PM

BA

Uncle John was one of the smartest men I ever knew. Loved god and his family. He will be missed by all who knew him and had the pleasure of listening to him talk about different things.

Brian Benjamin Jenkins and wife Jen and - February 15, 2022 at 04:57 PM

DC

John and Gay have always been special people in our lives! I loved to talk to John about ancestors...he had an amazing knowledge and memory. I would have so enjoyed making that trip to Lee County and so sorry Gay that I missed it.

Deborah Compton - February 16, 2022 at 09:23 AM

SW

*So Sorry To learn Of John's passing. He was a wonderful hard working gentleman. May God bless and comfort his family.*

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**Shelbie Willis** - February 16, 2022 at 11:36 AM

JR

*Was honored to serve in army reserves with John. God bless his family. James Runyon*

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**James Runyon** - February 23, 2022 at 07:48 PM