



Sandidge Evans French

July 27, 1941 - September 2, 2023

Sandidge "Evans" French, 82, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Saturday, September 2nd after a long battle with complications from agent orange.

He was preceded in death by his Parents Goldie and AC French, his former wife Phyllis French-Davidson. Sisters Patsy Jo, Gaye Nell, and infant sister Lucille Dianne. Also, by his brother Roy "Boy" Randall, nephews David Little, Steve Lee and niece Jami Lee.

Left to mourn him is his only child Sarah Harris (husband Adam, who he affectionately called his "Brotha"-in-law), his 2 grandchildren Rahlyja Evan Harris (who was named after Evans) and Adaleah Harris. Also, Evans' Brother Danny Wayne (wife Jennifer) and several nieces and nephews all over the country!

Evans served the country in the Army as an E5 and completed three tours in Vietnam. He held many roles in the Army including helicopter gunner and was stationed all over the world.

Back home Evans was a jack of all trades and a master of some. He held more jobs than most. Everything from special police work, to making vehicles in Detroit, security at a Catholic school in downtown Dayton, OH, to working in

the Yellowstone National Park.

Once he settled back down in Dickenson County, he worked on lawnmowers and weed eaters and would trade them frequently. He and his mother would grow a massive garden every year.

When Evans became a grandfather, there was much less work to be done. You could find him and Rahlyja any given weekend making nun-chucks, slingshots, dog houses, taking his dogs for walks, or just hanging out. When Adaleah came around, he was always her best student (as she was a little teacher) and she accompanied him to most all doctors' appointments (usually riding on his lap in the wheelchair).

It was the best day ever on Oct 4th of 2014. As he was watching his daughter and Grandson get baptized, he too walked in that cold, cold water and was baptized in Jesus name! What a glorious day that was! He was a member of Dyer's Chapel, and frequented Macedonia Baptist with his daughter's family.

The family would like to thank the many nurses and Dr's that cared for him during his stay at the VA. Especially Nurse April. He thought the world of you! Also, a huge thank you to Paul French and Luke Collins, who helped keep his land taken care of.

Mullins Funeral Home in charge of the services. Burial will be at the French Cemetery. A repass will be held at his daughter's home in Big Stone Gap after the burial.

Pallbearers will be friends and family

Family will receive friends Friday September 8, 2023 from 12 until 1:00 p.m. where a funeral service will be conducted at Mullins funeral home Chapel at

1:00 p.m. VFW graveside service will follow in the French Family Cemetery (McClure section). Clergyman Mike Stidham and Carolyn Smith will be conducting the services

Cemetery Details

French Family Cemetery

Stratton Section
McClure, VA 24269

Previous Events

Receive Friends

SEP 8. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mullins Funeral Home Chapel
210 Main Street
CLINTWOOD, VA 24228

Funeral Service

SEP 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AV

“ I'll always remember you're sweet smile, and the tough man you were. I love you my friend. It was truly a honor to take care of you and make you laugh! Til we meet again!



April Vermillion - September 06, 2023 at 12:46 PM

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“ Jeannie Mullins lit a candle in memory of Sandidge Evans French



Jeannie Mullins - September 05, 2023 at 07:10 PM

JR

“ Jimmy, Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson lit a candle in memory of Sandidge Evans French



Jimmy, Rebecca(Jenkins)&Tyler Robinson - September 05, 2023 at 04:10 PM