



Bobby Lee Dorton

September 26, 2018

Appalachia, Virginia

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A quiet, much loved man of God, Bobby Lee Dorton, 72, went home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at Holston Valley Hospital. Bobby was born on October 30, 1945 in Appalachia, VA. Bobby was a veteran of the US Army, having served with the 1st Infantry division in Vietnam. On returning home, he graduated from Clinch Valley College with a B.A. in Business Administration. Bobby served as town manager of Appalachia and Pound, VA. He retired in 2012.

Bobby's friends were like the stars in heaven- too numerous to count. He made it a priority to help as many people as he could. Just talking to Bobby could ease your mind of any problem you had. His love and passion for the Lord was always evident in everything he did. Bobby was a gifted golfer, tennis player, woodworker, Indian artifact collector, and a true Bible scholar.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Audry Dorton, as well as sisters, Patsy Goodman and Ruby Hoover.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Dysart; step-son, William and Rebecca

Dysart of Corbin, KY; Granddaughter, Keshia and Austin Corder; great-granddaughter, Oliva Grace Corder; brothers, William Ray and Sandy Dorton of Big Stone Gap, VA, Larry and Brenda Dorton of Big Stone Gap, Michael and Christine Dorton of Powhatan, VA; sisters, Nancy and Greg Goodson of Wise, VA, Donna Mohn of Appalachia, Teresa Gibson of Appalachia; numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Appalachia First Baptist Church, from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. Funeral services will follow with Dr. Nick Brewer officiating. Military graveside services will be held at Riverview Cemetery at 3 P.M. on Sunday, September 30, 2018. Gentlemen serving as pallbearers will be Chatham Dorton, Garrett Dorton, Brad Gibson, Cody Gibson, Patrick Dorton, William Dysart, and Matt Dysart. In Lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the ALS Association (Gift Processing Center, PO Box 37022 - Boone, IA 50037-0022) or St. Jude's Children's Hospital (501 St Jude Place - Memphis, TN 38105). Online condolences may be made at royagreenfuneralhome.com. Roy A. Green Funeral Home, Appalachia, is serving the Dorton family.

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Cemetery Details

Riverview

East Stone Gap, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Appalachia First Baptist Church
Appalachia, VA 24216

Tribute Wall

PW

“ *It's late, but I just saw of his passing. Bobby and I spent many, many hours on the tennis court. We played many tennis matches with friends and family. We played several tournaments where his nerves were shot. But it was so fun. We took several trips to play tennis where no one knew us for him to get over his nervousness. We lost touch over the years. I saw him briefly at my brothers funeral. I assume by his obit that he fell victim to ALS. So very unfortunate but I am sure Bobby fought with pride and dignity. Prayers for his family.*

Peyton Wheatley-Duncan - February 22, 2020 at 11:47 AM

RA

“ *Randall lit a candle in memory of Bobby Lee Dorton*



Randall - September 30, 2018 at 12:44 PM

RA

“ *Bobby Dorton was my best friend. I looked up to Bobby. He inspired me. We had conversations that I will never forget. He set a high bar in almost every aspect of life. I am 66. I have had friends, even a few best friends but there was no other friend in my life like Bobby. To me he was part of my family. We went for years at times without contact but could get together and pick up like time had stood still. I have only really admired two or three people in my life. Bobby Dorton was the top of that list. He would hate this but I'm going to say it anyway. Love you Bobby. God Bless his family and friends in their grief. Randall*

Randall - September 30, 2018 at 12:44 PM



“ *I'm sadden to here of his passing we had a many of a fine talk together I one told him to kid his wife about us being his girlfriend.....I'm one of the SR"S at the Town HALL*



Cheryl Stallard - September 29, 2018 at 09:08 PM

NB

“ *I CAUGHT MY FIRST TROUT WITH BOBBY IN DRY CREEK , LEE COUNTY. HIT MY FIRST GOLF BALL WITH HIM NEAR RICHMOND. WE WENT TO RICHMOND JUST PRIOR TO COLLEGE, I GOT HOMESICK--HE LAUGHED AT THAT ALMOST 45 YRS.LATER. ONE OF THE BEST OF THE BEST. HE IS FAMILY TO ME.*

NICK BREWER

NICK BREWER - September 29, 2018 at 04:17 PM

CD

“ *I knew Bobby for a long time, he was a good man and will be missed greatly
My heartfelt prayers go out to sandy and the rest of the family*

Corley Dysart

Corley Dysart - September 28, 2018 at 10:00 PM

MS

“ *RIP Bobby. You were a good friend and I always enjoyed playing golf with you. You demonstrated great courage during your illness. I wish your family the best in this trying time.- Mack Shupe*

mack Shupe - September 28, 2018 at 08:10 PM

LL

“ *Leslie Lambert lit a candle in memory of Bobby Lee Dorton*



Leslie Lambert - September 28, 2018 at 05:09 PM



“ *42 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Roy A Green Funeral Home - September 28, 2018 at 02:47 PM

MD

“ *Mavis Ann Davis lit a candle in memory of Bobby Lee Dorton*



Mavis Ann Davis - September 28, 2018 at 12:05 PM

TC

“ *Teresa Cross lit a candle in memory of Bobby Lee Dorton*



Teresa Cross - September 28, 2018 at 10:38 AM

DB

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family. Love and prayers. Donnie & Abbie*



Donnie & Abbie Blair - September 28, 2018 at 08:47 AM

DY

“ *Bobbie you always had a smile an kind word, to share .Thank you for being part of my life.. Blessings ,prayers an much love to Sandy and all my family. Donna Young*

Donna Young - September 27, 2018 at 09:00 PM

MD

“ *We lived next door to Bobby(and later Sandy) for over 40 years. He was a great friend,as well as a great neighbor. We became real close over the years with him and Sandy. I know that it broke his heart when we moved . We continued visiting with them,and we were blessed to see him for a minute at Holston Valley. We will always love you and miss you Bobby. Rest in peace friend.*

Mavis and John

Mavis Ann and John Davis - September 27, 2018 at 08:53 PM