



Matthew Aaron Poteet

April 29, 2022

Big Stone Gap, Virginia

Matthew Aaron Poteet, 54, of Big Stone Gap, Virginia passed away suddenly on April 29 th, 2022. Matt was a graduate of Appalachia High School and Clinch Valley College (The University of Virginia's College at Wise). He was a former employee of the town of Big Stone Gap and a longtime member of the Big Stone Gap Rescue Squad. He enjoyed visiting casinos, science fiction, and his two beloved cats.

Matthew brought happiness and joy, with his constant smile and a joke, wherever he went. His enduring legacy will be the passionate love and devotion he had for his family, especially for his late sister Jennifer Mullins. Matthew was the son of the late William G. Poteet and the late Helen F. Poteet, née Myers, of Appalachia, VA.

He is survived by his life partner Johnny Mumpower of the home; brother Dr. Mark Poteet (Keith Donnelly), Pittsburgh, PA; sister Libby Barton (Greg), Lancaster, SC; sister Amy Poteet (Sam Weaver), DeSoto, WI; brother-in-law Leroy Mullins of Big Stone Gap, VA; nephew Will Rose and niece Mia Weaver; and special friend Vicki Swiney.

The family will receive friends from 10 am to 12 pm Tuesday, May 3 at the Roy A. Green Funeral Home, Appalachia, VA. Graveside services will be conducted at 1 pm at the American Legion Cemetery, Big Stone Gap, officiated by Rev. Robert Hill.

Cemetery Details

American Legion Cemetery

Big Stone Gap, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 3. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Roy A. Green Funeral Home
317 Kilbourne Ave.
Appalachia, VA 24216
(276) 565-1250
info@royagreenfuneralhome.com
<https://www.royagreenfuneralhome.com>

Graveside Service

MAY 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

American Legion Cemetery
Big Stone Gap, VA

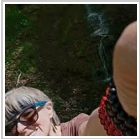
Tribute Wall

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“ 23 files added to the tribute wall

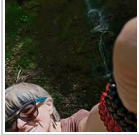


Amy Poteet - May 07, 2022 at 12:35 AM



“ I remember Matt from my early years at Clinch Valley College now (The University of Virginia's College at Wise). He was an Alumni of CVC. I think the same year as Valerie S. Lawson, Rusty Necessary and Diane Cornett. He always made me smile. I was working in the Bookstore at the time and Matt and I think Johnny Mumpower would come in the dead of winter, snow flying colder then wiz wearing flip flops and a tee shirt. Estella Meade and I would look at them like they were crazy! We'd tell them they were going to catch their death of cold. I wasn't much different in age then Matt. When the weather got bad Theresa Yates Vance and Vicki Gregory Swiney would let me crash at their place (they lived in the Townhouses). So that I wouldn't have to drive to Clintwood or back to Wise in snow! It was really just an excuse to stay with the girls. I'd fix my "famous or maybe infamous" spaghetti dinners. You had to be there to appreciate them. Fly High Matt. You will be missed by all who knew and loved you.

Jeanne Good - May 05, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ *Jonny and Matt's family. I was so sad to hear about the passing of Matt. He was one of the first students at Clinch Valley College that I got to know. He remained my friend these many years. Fly high Matt.*



Jeanne Good - May 05, 2022 at 10:41 AM

SA

“ *Matt was such a sweetheart and never had an ill word to say. I thought a lot of him and am sorry to hear this. I am praying for Jesus's comfort for all who loved him ❤️.*

Shelia Ashley - May 05, 2022 at 01:14 AM

JW

“ *I will always remember Matthew from the Miniet as well as being joined at the hip with Johnny Mumpower. My condolences go out to Johnny and the family. Matthew was a fine young man, gone too soon.*

jo wikle - May 03, 2022 at 03:09 PM

SE

“ *just talk to him couple months ago about Jenneffer she was our mascot in cheerleading I believe I mailed him her pictures remember his mom and dad they were my brother Frank best friends he and Bill work on railroad together*

shirley jean evans - May 02, 2022 at 09:28 PM

LM

“ Sad to hear this news about Matt. Always a smile for everyone. May the family be comforted by the warm memories of Matt.
Lee Mum power

Lee Mumpower - May 02, 2022 at 09:17 PM

BH

“ I'm so saddened to hear of Matt's passing. He and I were friends for so long. He shared a birthday with my John and they always wished each other Happy Birthday. Great fella. Fierce friend and just an all around kind and loving human. You are whole and healthy my brother. Rest easy. Much love.

Beth Hagan - May 02, 2022 at 08:45 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.



May 02, 2022 at 06:39 PM

MB

“ So sad great friend and classmate r.i.p. Matt prayers for the family 🙏😔💕



Melinda Bowman - May 02, 2022 at 05:58 PM



“ Lisa Robinette lit a candle in memory of Matthew Aaron Poteet



Lisa Robinette - May 02, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Roy A Green Funeral Home - May 02, 2022 at 03:47 PM



“ Danny Rose purchased the White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.



Danny Rose - May 02, 2022 at 02:15 PM

CB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Matthew's passing and sending prayers for comfort and peace to everyone that loved and cared for him. Both of us first met Matthew in college and were so happy when we first moved to Big Stone all those years ago because our friend was here! We are going to miss his big heart and smile, his hearty laugh and joy for life. He was such a kind soul, with a brilliant mind and an even brighter spirit. We know you are at peace now, Matt, with our savior Jesus, as well as reunited with Jenny, your parents, and all of your family and friends that have gone before and been saved. We know that God is faithful and we will see you again one day dear friend!



Chris and Gwen Brooks - May 02, 2022 at 12:23 PM

CB

“ Chris and Gwen Brooks purchased the [Memorial Trees](https://www.royagr eenfuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.

Chris and Gwen Brooks - May 02, 2022 at 12:14 PM

JV

“ John Barton & Steve Vuotto purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.



John Barton & Steve Vuotto - May 02, 2022 at 08:55 AM



“ *Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.*



May 02, 2022 at 08:43 AM



“ *Lisa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Matthew Aaron Poteet*



lisa johnson - May 02, 2022 at 07:12 AM



“ *I'll remember Matt in many positive ways with a big smile & a great sense of humor always great with a story. Matt is now walking with Jesus & running & seeing how high he can jump. Go rest high on that mountain. We will see u again & u will be smiling*



lisa johnson - May 02, 2022 at 07:11 AM



*Amen Amen and Amen
Teresa L. Hollinger*

Teresa L. Hollinger - May 02, 2022 at 12:09 PM



My thoughts and prayers for the family and friends of Matt. I only got to meet him briefly at one of the NLNL meetings. I was looking forward to meeting him again at a meeting. I hope he is walking proudly in his new Home .

Linda C Houchins - May 02, 2022 at 03:17 PM



Johnny, Mark, Libby and Amy I have known Matt all my life. First as that cute little Poteet boy that had the cutest but mischievous grin. Then as he worked at the Miniet in Big Stone making that delicious popcorn that John and I would always stop and get with an orange crush when we would go out on a date. Then in later years as he would work on the BSG Rescue Squad(which was something he loved). Then the many prayers that was sent up on his behalf when he was so sick and almost left this world . He was such a caring fella and is certainly going to be missed. Rest well my friend and will see you again ! Love all of you guys and praying for comfort and peace during this time of sadness.

Lynne and John

Lynne Tull - May 02, 2022 at 03:46 PM



I was so sorry to hear of Matts passing I remember him at the Miniette and he` was always happy to greet each one that come in. He had a smile and greeting for everyone. Heaven gained a good fellow. The family and loved ones are in my prayers.

Shelby Meade - May 04, 2022 at 01:33 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Matthew Aaron Poteet.*



May 01, 2022 at 09:48 PM