



Samuel Richard Needham Sr.

September 15, 2025

Andover VA

Samuel Richard Needham Sr, 82, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his wife and children. He was born in Roda, VA to his parents Elsie Carter Needham and William Needham. He was the youngest of 11 children. He was a faithful member of the Church of Christ in Big Stone Gap, VA. He was a beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather, and Great-grandfather. His greatest joys in life were his children and grandchildren. He was a military veteran who served in the United States Army. Sam was a retired maintenance supervisor and project manager. Sam and his wife Judy traveled extensively visiting all 48 continental states and many American landmarks. He lived in Andover, VA where he and Judy raised their family. He was preceded in death by his son Jason Needham.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years Judy Christian Needham; daughters Natalie Green (Sammy), Karen Needham Eaton (Mike Burnette), Jennifer Needham (Melissa); and son Samuel Richie Needham Jr. He had 14 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, September 18, 2025 at Roy A. GreenFuneral Home with services following in the funeral home chapel officiated by AllenSponaugle. Military graveside rites will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, September 19, 2025 at American Legion Cemetery. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home at 12:00 noon for the procession to the cemetery.

Cemetery Details

American Legion Cemetery

5015-5031 Powell Valley Rd
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Previous Events

Receive Friends

SEP 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 18. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside Service

SEP **19**. 1:00 PM (ET)

American Legion Cemetery
Big Stone Gap, VA

Tribute Wall



“ Roy A Green Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Samuel Richard Needham Sr.



Roy A Green Funeral Home - September 18, 2025 at 06:35 PM

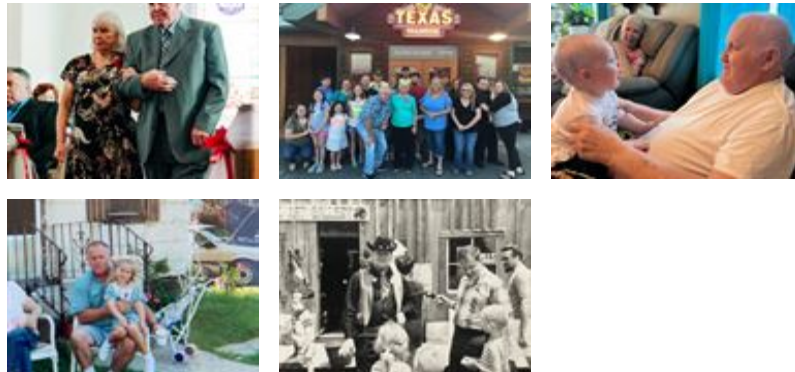


“ Remember being neighbors to them and what great neighbors they were.

phyllis jervis bush - September 19, 2025 at 09:11 AM



“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



Roy A Green Funeral Home - September 18, 2025 at 12:42 PM

TE

“ We have been neighbors with the Needham family for 45 years and have been truly blessed by them. Sam was a wonderful Christian man who we surely will miss. Our prayers and love are with all of you.

*Teresa & Charlie Barnett and family
David & Ronnie Crum*

Teresa - September 18, 2025 at 09:46 AM

JF

“ JoAnna Needham Smith and Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..



JoAnna Needham Smith and Family - September 17, 2025 at 05:55 PM

LK

“ Lisa Kirk lit a candle in memory of Samuel Richard Needham Sr.



Lisa Kirk - September 17, 2025 at 05:17 PM

JF

“ John Fraley lit a candle in memory of Samuel Richard Needham Sr.



John Fraley - September 17, 2025 at 11:08 AM

MB

“ Mike and Tammy Begley purchased the "Sending You an Angel" Statue Candle Holder with LED Candle to Express Sympathy for the family of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..



Mike and Tammy Begley - September 17, 2025 at 11:06 AM

MB

“ Mike and Tammy Begley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..

Mike and Tammy Begley - September 17, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ Heartfelt Sympathies Blue & White Funeral Standing Basket was purchased for the family of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..



September 17, 2025 at 08:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..

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DT

“ Dawn and Brian Thweatt purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..



Dawn and Brian Thweatt - September 16, 2025 at 10:48 PM

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“ Dawn and Brian Thweatt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel Richard Needham Sr..

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