



## Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges

August 14, 1938 - April 28, 2025

Frederick William "Freddie" Hodges, affectionately known as "Grumps" by his adoring grandchildren, passed away peacefully on April 28, 2025, surrounded by the love and presence of his devoted family.

Born and raised in West Point, Virginia, Freddie lived a life defined by love, laughter, and an unwavering generosity of spirit. He married his high school sweetheart, Sarah, and together they built a home overflowing with joy, where humor was not just encouraged—it was the heartbeat of every moment shared.

Freddie built a successful career in the paper industry as an independent sales and consulting contractor, but his life's greatest work was his gift with people. Blessed with a razor-sharp wit, a mischievous grin, and a storyteller's charm, Freddie had a rare talent for lighting up every room he entered. Whether through a perfectly timed punchline, a clever turn of phrase, or a playful tease, Freddie had a way of making people laugh — deeply, wholeheartedly, and often.

To Freddie, laughter was more than just amusement — it was a language of connection, healing, and love. His humor could be colorfully bold, but it was always underpinned by a profound kindness that left you feeling seen, valued, and uplifted. No one remained a stranger to Freddie for long — just a friend

waiting to be drawn into the warmth of his joy.

He gave generously of both time and heart, and everyone fortunate enough to know him carries a treasured “Freddie story” — a moment of hilarity, an unexpected joke, or a wisecrack delivered at just the right moment. In a world that can sometimes feel far too serious, Freddie was a beacon of light, a reminder that laughter is not only a blessing but one of the greatest gifts we can share.

In his final days, Freddie was cared for with extraordinary compassion and dignity by the dedicated teams at Riverside Walter Reed Hospice and Riverside Walter Reed Hospital. The Hodges family extends their deepest gratitude for the comfort, professionalism, and heartfelt kindness shown during this sacred time. Their care was not only medical, but profoundly human — and for that, the family will be forever thankful.

Freddie is survived by his loving wife, Sarah — a devoted wife, caregiver, and partner whose own warmth matched the home they created together. He also leaves behind his sons, Keith (wife Shelley) and Todd, and his five beloved grandchildren: Derek, Francesca, Katie, Chloe, and Ella — the brightest stars in his sky; as well as his brother, Thomas “Hammer” Hodges; sister, Carla Sturtz Ripchick; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Freddie Hodges made the world better not through grand, sweeping gestures, but through everyday moments filled with laughter, connection, and love. His legacy lives on in every chuckle shared, every story retold, and every life he touched. He will be deeply missed, fondly remembered.

The family will receive friends 5 – 8 PM Saturday, May 3, 2025, at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, VA 23181.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Lower King and Queen Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 187, Shacklefords, VA 23156.

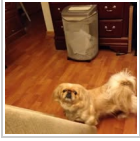
# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 3. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel  
417 11th St  
West Point, VA 23181  
(804) 843-2550

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Ogg lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Margaret Ogg** - May 08, 2025 at 10:48 AM



“ *Joann Wroblick Via*



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**Joann Wronlick Via** - May 03, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ *Bill and I send our deepest sympathy to Sarah and the entire family. I have known Freddie for most of my life and we all know how he loved to play pranks on people. Well, I was one of them. I won't go into details, but those of you who know both of us will know what I'm talking about. It went on for years and we had many laughs about it. He was a good man, a good friend, and will be missed by so many. He was an asset to West Point and a blessing to his family. May God hold each of you in His loving arms and comfort each of you during your time of loss.*

*Pat and Bill Gwaltney*

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**Pat Gwaltney** - May 02, 2025 at 04:29 PM

MP

“ *Sorry for your loss. He will be missed*

Melissa St Pierre - May 02, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ *Charlie Carter III lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



Charlie Carter III - May 01, 2025 at 09:32 PM



“ *Who will call me Alex now? Freddie was a part of do many happy childhood memories. I will miss him. Thinking of all of you and holding you in my heart. Freddie, give mom and dad a hug for me.*



Renee Hooper - May 01, 2025 at 05:31 PM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - May 01, 2025 at 07:46 AM

FS

“ *Faith Silva lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Faith Silva** - May 01, 2025 at 04:50 AM

SL

“ *Sheila Isgett Lewis lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Sheila Isgett Lewis** - April 30, 2025 at 05:54 PM

AW

“ *Avril & Gerald Williams lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Avril & Gerald Williams** - April 30, 2025 at 03:07 PM

MR

“ *Mike Redford lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**mike redford** - April 30, 2025 at 02:47 PM

MN

“ Marie H Norman lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Marie H Norman - April 30, 2025 at 02:45 PM

VB

“ To Sarah, Keith and the entire Hodges family. I have known Freddie since he was about 10 years old. He's always been a great guy and a special person. I have so many memories going all the way back to Cub Scouts when Freddie's Mother was my Den Mother and neighbor. Freddie, you will continue to provide warm and memories. God bless you, Freddie, Sarah And the entire Hodges family. VIC and SHARON BRITTON

Vic and Sharon Britton - April 30, 2025 at 01:31 PM

JM

“ Janet C Moncure lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Janet C Moncure - April 30, 2025 at 01:18 PM

GB

“ Freddie will be missed by all who knew him. He always had a smile whenever I saw him. I share your loss. Cherish the beautiful memories of the years you had with him. May God comfort all of you as you navigate life without your beloved Freddie.

Gloria Bagby - April 30, 2025 at 01:04 PM

SC

“ Sarah, I am sorry for your loss and I do share that deeply in my heart! Have always kept you in my thoughts, you were a great secretary for my husband and Bob thought the world of you. I know what it is to have a great husband and I enjoyed knowing you both and the life you were blessed with. May the Lord wrap His arms all around each one and comfort as only He can. Great friends are never forgotten!

Shirley Cason - April 30, 2025 at 01:04 PM

BW

“ I will always think of the days in the mill when you would come in and make my day so much better, miss you my friend!



Bill and Susan Willis - April 30, 2025 at 11:44 AM

SH

“ Staci Hunt lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Staci Hunt - April 30, 2025 at 11:19 AM

DC

“ Donna And R.T. Croswell lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Donna and R.T. Croswell - April 30, 2025 at 11:19 AM

JB

“ *Rest easy my old Friend!!!*

**Jerry Blanchard** - April 30, 2025 at 10:21 AM

DB

“ *Donna & John Britt lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



**Donna & John Britt** - April 30, 2025 at 10:14 AM

CL

“ *Carolyn Lockley lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



**Carolyn Lockley** - April 30, 2025 at 08:22 AM

DH

“ *David N Ann C Hall lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



**David n Ann C Hall** - April 30, 2025 at 08:14 AM

EO

“ I'll never forget Freddie stopping me one year at the Crab Carnival to share a wonderful memory about my mother. He was a kind man with a great sense of humor. He will be missed. Godspeed Mr. Hodges! Warmest sympathies, Elis and Dudley Olsson

Elis Olsson - April 30, 2025 at 07:09 AM

HW

“ HENRY WARD lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



HENRY WARD - April 30, 2025 at 06:14 AM

CL

Freddie was one of the best storytellers we knew. Both Freddie & Sarah were always so kind & supportive of Kitty & me. Our condolences to Sarah & the family. Charles & Kitty 🙏

Charles & Kitty Lewis - April 30, 2025 at 10:26 AM

JR

“ John And Vickir Roane lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



John and Vickir Roane - April 30, 2025 at 05:56 AM

MA

“ *Myrtle Ambrose lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Myrtle Ambrose** - April 29, 2025 at 10:11 PM

BJ

“ *Jim and I send our heartfelt sympathy to the family. Freddie always telling jokes and just enjoying life. Such a Wonderful man. God Bless.*



*Beverly & Jim Ross*

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**Bev & Jim** - April 29, 2025 at 09:52 PM

ES

“ *Condolences to the Hodges family!* ✨🙏🕊️✨

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**Eddie R Sears** - April 29, 2025 at 09:42 PM

GC

“ *Dear Sarah, Todd, Keith, Family and friends, Freddie was one of a kind...I whenever I saw him, he would have a smile and always a funny word to say.*



*He was a gift to West Point!  
Cherish your precious memories.  
With love and heartfelt sympathy,  
Gloria Couch (formerly Foster)*

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**Gloria Couch** - April 29, 2025 at 09:21 PM

JP

“ So many wonderful memories. Sarah, Keith, Shelley, and Todd we send all of you our love and sympathy. May God bless you and heal your broken hearts. 💔

Judy and Glenn Palmer - April 29, 2025 at 08:42 PM

SP

“ Sue Perry lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Sue Perry - April 29, 2025 at 08:10 PM



“ Spencer Chestnutt lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Spencer Chestnutt - April 29, 2025 at 07:31 PM

VB

“ Vicki Beswick Blake lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Vicki Beswick Blake - April 29, 2025 at 07:23 PM

FH

“ *Francie Hogge lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



Francie Hogge - April 29, 2025 at 06:49 PM

DH

“ *Deck Harris lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



Deck Harris - April 29, 2025 at 06:14 PM

DS

“ *The "Pop Corn Colonel" would bring oysters to my folks when they moved to Rome, GA. Freddie was a dear and loyal friend to my family. A good man, a good life lived. Blessings Freddie. You made a difference.*



doug somervell - April 29, 2025 at 05:33 PM

SS

“ *Stephanie Sears lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



Stephanie Sears - April 29, 2025 at 05:31 PM

JA

“ Jason And Tina Ammons lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Jason and Tina Ammons - April 29, 2025 at 05:10 PM

JS

“ Jean (Slavey) Seay lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Jean (Slavey) Seay - April 29, 2025 at 05:08 PM

PC

“ Pamela S Carter lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Pamela S Carter - April 29, 2025 at 04:52 PM

FS

“ Faith Silva lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges



Faith Silva - April 29, 2025 at 04:39 PM

BE

“ *Beverly Darlington Edwards lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Freddie" William Hodges*



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**Beverly Darlington Edwards** - April 29, 2025 at 04:16 PM