



Herbert Wilkerson

March 3, 1954 - December 30, 2024

Herbert Wilkerson, better known as “Pa”, passed away peacefully at home on December 30, 2024 under hospice care after battling a series of health ailments, including lung cancer and heart disease. He was a fighter until the very end. Herbert loved spending time with his family and is survived by his wife of 51 years, Joanne, daughters Elizabeth and Brooke, and grandchildren Charlie, Lily and Cyrus. He was preceded in death by his beloved grandson William who gained his angel wings in 2022. He is also survived by three of his seven siblings, Bobby, Janet and Rachel, as well as many other special family members and friends.

Herbert was born on March 3, 1954 in Williamsburg, Virginia, the son of William and Helen Wilkerson. He grew up in Lanexa, remained in the area, then spent the duration of his life living close to his family in New Kent County. He spent most of his adult life working tirelessly at the paper mill in West Point, now known as West Rock. He was an incredibly hard worker and devoted over 40 years to the company. After retiring, he took on his favorite role as “Pa”. During this time, he enjoyed attending family events, going to church, playing poker with friends, watching baseball games and relaxing at home eating his favorite snacks. He spent lots of time tinkering around outside and loved nothing more than keeping the grass cut, the yard orderly and his truck clean.

Herbert was a determined, generous, playful and caring husband, father, grandfather and friend to many. He loved to be silly and joke around with everyone around him. His kind, jovial and carefree spirit will certainly be missed. A memorial service to celebrate Herbert's life will be held at Tabernacle Church, at 20051 Tabernacle Rd in Barhamsville, VA on Sunday, January 5, 2024 at 3:00pm, followed by a brief reception in the church fellowship hall. Family and friends are invited to attend and pay their respects. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to Proclaiming Grace Outreach, a local nonprofit that provides a food pantry and other services to those in need within the community.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 5. 3:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle Christian Community Church
20051 Tabernacle Rd.
Barhamsville, VA 23011

Tribute Wall

MD

“ MARK & DEBBIE DAVIS lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



MARK & DEBBIE DAVIS - January 22, 2025 at 10:46 AM

SC

“ Shawn Carter lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



Shawn Carter - January 21, 2025 at 12:24 PM

SC

Sure will miss running into Herb. Sending prayers for his family and friends. Such a great guy!

Shawn Carter - January 21, 2025 at 12:26 PM

MW

“ Thinking of the family during this difficult time love Ruby, JJ, Steven, Mark and family



Mark Wilkerson - January 13, 2025 at 09:34 PM

MW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I knew Herbert at Matthew Whaley and got reacquainted recently at church. He always had a smile on his face and looked happy to see me. May God's peace and loving memories get you through the difficult and painful time.

Mary Ware

Mary Reynolds Ware - January 06, 2025 at 02:08 PM

DS

“ Dale Seward lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



Dale Seward - January 04, 2025 at 08:51 PM

CL

“ Carolyn Lockley lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



Carolyn Lockley - January 04, 2025 at 06:19 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - January 04, 2025 at 08:31 AM

FC

“ *Freddy Cowles lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Freddy Cowles - January 04, 2025 at 07:08 AM

RC

“ *R.T. Croswell And Donna Croswell lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



R.T. Croswell and Donna Croswell - January 04, 2025 at 06:14 AM

CB

“ *Herbie was a fun loving guy. Always enjoyed talking with him at the mill or one of many places that sold lottery tickets. He could make you laugh and going to miss his laugh! R.I.P. my friend.*

Curtis Brizendine - January 03, 2025 at 07:00 PM

LW

“ *Lee Wright lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



lee Wright - January 03, 2025 at 05:57 PM

PC

“ *Pamela S Carter lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Pamela S Carter - January 03, 2025 at 02:06 PM

WW

“ *William And Susan Willis lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



William and Susan Willis - January 03, 2025 at 12:00 PM

JB

“ *Prayers for past friend.*

Jerry Blanchard - January 03, 2025 at 11:12 AM

DD

“ *Debbie Dzula lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



debbie dzula - January 03, 2025 at 10:46 AM

BD

“ *Billie Dean lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Billie Dean - January 02, 2025 at 10:07 PM

BB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Brian Boswell - January 02, 2025 at 09:10 PM

JD

“ *Joanne and Family: Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Herbert loved his Family and his sense of humor at Church was refreshing. He will be greatly missed. Sincerely, Lee and Johnny Davis*

John W. Davis - January 02, 2025 at 08:35 PM

BT

“ *Herb was a fine friend and an all around great person*



Bobby (Dinger) Thompson - January 02, 2025 at 08:20 PM

BR

“ *Such a funny,silly guy. Prayers and thoughts to the family. God Bless*



Beverly Ross - January 02, 2025 at 07:33 PM

RD

“ *Robert Davis lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Robert Davis - January 02, 2025 at 06:39 PM

HW

“ *HENRY WARD lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



HENRY WARD - January 02, 2025 at 05:10 PM

MD

“ *Mark And Debbie Davis lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson*



Mark and Debbie Davis - January 02, 2025 at 03:16 PM

NS

“ Nancy Vaughan Scott lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



Nancy Vaughan Scott - January 02, 2025 at 02:34 PM

VC

“ Victor & Jan Croswell lit a candle in memory of Herbert Wilkerson



Victor & Jan Croswell - January 02, 2025 at 12:08 PM

EK

Herbert always delighted in embarrassing me as I walked into church, we developed a close relationship through our batter back and forth. Joanne and the family are in our prayers, as they go through their process of grief.
Ethel and Jack King

Ethel King - January 02, 2025 at 02:01 PM