



## Lawrence Hunter Woodward

November 3, 1931 - June 30, 2021

Lawrence Hunter Woodward, of Zuni, Virginia passed away on June 30, 2021 surrounded by family. He was born to Joseph and Celeste (Kingree)

Woodward on November 3, 1931 in Luray, Virginia. He was predeceased by his parents, his brother Wayne, his sisters-in-law Peggy Woodward and Catherine Wagoner and his brother-in-law Charles (Shep) Wagoner.

Hunter's greatest accomplishment and joy was his family. He leaves behind his wife of sixty-seven years Suzanne (Martin) Woodward and his children and their spouses: Beverly Woodward Rabil (Johnnie), Lawrence H. Woodward, Jr. (Jane), James F. Woodward (Cheryl), and Martin W. Woodward (Susan).

He was also the beloved "Pop" to his eleven grandchildren: John Rabil, Jr. (Christy), Susan Rabil Longley (Matt), Alexandra Woodward Paone (Patrick), Carlyn Woodward, Nicole Woodward Fagan (Alex), James Woodward, Jr., William Woodward, Jacob Woodward, Meaghan Woodward, Cathleen Woodward, and Elizabeth Woodward and his three great-grandchildren Hunter and Hannah Longley and Fred Rabil. He is also survived by his sister-in-law Elizabeth Guy and several nieces and nephews.

Hunter grew up in Luray, Virginia and lived there until he joined the Army. After his military service, he graduated from Virginia Tech (and was so proud when two of his grandsons followed in his footsteps). He also received his Masters Degree in Education from the College of William and Mary. His life's calling was in education and he served as a teacher, principal, coach, and administrator in King and Queen County, Accomack County, and Isle of Wight

County, Virginia. It was not uncommon to run into former students of Hunter's who shared stories of Hunter's positive (and usually amusing) influence in their lives. After "retirement" he went to work for Construction Control Corporation and advised school superintendents on construction projects throughout Virginia.

Images of vacations and holidays on the Outer Banks of North Carolina and the family farm on the York River in Shacklefords, Virginia, roasting oysters and solving world problems over bonfires in Zuni, and Pop sharing his woodworking creations and vegetable garden with his grandchildren will be forever remembered with a smile and gratitude. A close second to spending time with his family, there were few things in life that Hunter enjoyed more than being near water with a fishing pole in his hand.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Association. There will be a graveside gathering to celebrate his life at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, July 4th, at Sunny Slope Cemetery, 2400 King William Avenue, West Point, Virginia.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sunny Slope Cemetery  
King William Avenue  
West Point, VA 23181

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Mr. Woodard to me, I will never forget you and the life lessons you taught me. You gave me a name that has stuck with me for 58 years plus. That name “Bone” has made people that I have worked with and met in life not forget who I am. He will never be forgotten as long as I live.

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**Bone Jenkins** - July 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM

SH

“ Martin, Bev, Larry and Jim, I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. Your father was a wonderful and kind man. He was the closest to a best friend my father ever had. When my father started showing signs of Alzheimer's disease your dad was right there for him to take him out fishing or just go get something to eat. I and my family have never forgotten his kindness and I send my sympathies to you all and your families. -Scott Hager

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**Scott Hager** - July 02, 2021 at 12:55 PM

MS

“ I thoroughly enjoyed working for/with Mr. Woodward! He was a wonderful boss who got the work done in a timely and professional manner, but still managed to make the day enjoyable. I loved his sense of humor! I am so thankful for the years we worked together and will miss him. My sincere condolences to his family. You're in my heart and prayers.

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**Maggie Swain** - July 02, 2021 at 09:26 AM

JP

“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Woodward. I remember him so well as a teacher and coach at Pleasant Hill. Glenn and I send our love and sympathy to his family.

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**Judy Palmer** - July 02, 2021 at 09:15 AM

CH

“ What a dear administrator and boss! Memories are overwhelming me as I share the family's loss. He could even make a School Board Meeting worthwhile! I am so grateful for the 20+ years I worked with him before he retired from Isle of Wight County Schools. He was truly a man of wisdom and integrity, and a gentleman who cared about his responsibilities and those who worked for and with him.

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**Carolyn Harrup** - July 01, 2021 at 09:33 PM