



Robert Gene "Bob" McClure

April 15, 1933 - August 10, 2023

Robert Gene McClure (Bob or Poppy to those who loved him most) 90 of St. Albans went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on August 10, 2023. Bob joins his beloved wife Betty, his son Rodney, his mother Zena, his father Raymond, his brothers Paul and Jimmy and his sister, Adeline Nelson in heaven.

Bob was born on April 15, 1933 in Griffithsville, WV. He lived his early years in Lincoln County graduating from Duval High School. He met the love of his life Betty, at the age of 15 and they were married August 25, 1954. They shared 61 wonderful years together before she passed in 2015. Bob proudly served in the Army during the Korean War, training in boot camp at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and was later stationed at Fort Kilmer, New Jersey. He chose welding as his profession and went to trade school in Aberdeen, Maryland. He was a top seller for Favorite Cookware, worked on the pipeline for CJ Hughes and retired from Don's Disposal after in 1998.

Bob and Betty lived in New Jersey during his time in the Army before returning to St. Albans, WV where he lived the next 70 years on Coal River Road. In 1955 their daughter Robyn was born and in 1956 their son Rodney was born. Bob was saved and baptized while attending New Hope Baptist Church. In 1980 Bob and Betty began attending Maranatha Fellowship Church where he has remained a faithful member until the time of his heavenly homecoming.

Poppy's pride and joy were his grandchildren. They spent many summers and weekends with their Poppy and Granny. He took them to church, the state fair and many buffet lines. He loved westerns, mowing the grass, deer hunting, Tudor's biscuits, The Golden Corral, good coffee, and gardening. At one time he had two gardens, one as big as an acre. Bob had many friends. He looked forward to every phone call and visit from them. He will be remembered for so many things including his strong hand-shakes, bear hugs, and peppermints.

Left to treasure his memory is his daughter, Robyn Caldwell (David) of Buffalo, his grandchildren Rachel Driggs (Jody) of Charleston, Michael Scott Smith (Emily) of

Knoxville, TN, Robert Chad Smith (Julie) of Fernandina Beach, FL, Rebecca Lohman (Hunter) of St. John's, FL, Rhianna Harless (David) of FL, and his great-grandchildren, Zachary, Nicholas, Hannah, Eli, Amelia, Haillie, Brinkley, Olivia, Max, Kellen, Steven, Mark, and Isabella, many nieces and nephews and special friends.

The family would like to thank the following people for their love, care, and friendship: Mike and Joan Isble, Elvin Tate, Tom Aldridge, Dr. Regi Triplett, the staff at Genesis Putnam Center and the Hospice Hubbard House doctors and nurses. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to Hubbard Hospice House or Maranatha Fellowship Church.

You do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. James 4:14

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors and gain an overwhelming victory through Him who loved us so much that he died for us. For I am convinced that neither height, nor depth, nor any created thing can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39

Funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm Tuesday, August 15 at Maranatha Fellowship Church with the Rev. Darren Powell officiating. Entombment will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans. Visitation will be Monday, August 14, from 6-8:00 pm at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans.

You may visit Bob's tribute page at BartlettNichols.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the McClure family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home
409 Sixth Avenue
Saint Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4325

Funeral Service

AUG **15.** 1:00 PM (ET)

Maranatha Fellowship
2910 Kanawha Terrace
St Albans, WV 25177-9556
(304) 722-6271

Tribute Wall

DD

“ My Uncle Bob was my fun uncle. Always teasing and happy. Our thing was going to get hamburgers and a chocolate milk shakes when I was a little girl. Uncle Bob and Aunt Betty’s home hold delightful memories for me.
They were a constant example of how a marriage and lasting love should be. Uncle Bob always answered “I’m blessed “ when I would ask him how he was doing.
He was a wonderful caring, loving and dependable brother to my mother. I know they are reunited now. I rejoice in knowing all is well now.

Dreama Deardorff - August 14, 2023 at 02:14 PM

JM

“ Well, just found out about your passing away. You’re the last uncle got you be missed greatly. I know we talked several times on the phone over the past years. May you rest in peace uncle Bob

jim mcclure - August 14, 2023 at 01:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Gene "Bob" McClure.

August 13, 2023 at 08:54 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Gene "Bob" McClure.



August 13, 2023 at 08:54 PM

TA

“ Mr. MCclure! I know you from church 1st! Your wife was a teacher to both my kids in Sunday school then in preschool! As a nurse I was able to assistance you on more than one occasion when you needed me. I'm so thankful for that opportunity! Sending love and prayers to the family!

Teresa Argento - August 12, 2023 at 02:01 PM

KK

“ *Poppy you were a sweet gentle spirt. Apart of you that was passed on to your son. You have left your print on my heart and I will forever love you. Karen*

karen kosior - August 12, 2023 at 09:49 AM

PW

“ *Bro Bob was a wonderful man of God. He had such a sweet spirit. I was honored to have been his pastor for several years. He's enjoy the wonders of heaven right now, being with loved ones and seeing His Savior face to face.*

pastor James Wright - August 11, 2023 at 07:58 PM

DR

“ *Oh how I loved my uncle Bob & aunt Betty. I couldn't wait to get home from church when I was little to see if they would be coming to Mamaw , and papaws house with my little cousin Rachel so we could laugh , and play, oh!!!,and also sing!! Lol I always thought they were the cutest little couple ever!! Which they truly were! I remember uncle Bob and aunt Betty walking down the sidewalk along the beautiful Iris flowers my Mamaw Zena had planted. Oh and if you are reading this Robin , I also remember a few grandkids getting in trouble for jumping over her flowers, Lol I'm pretty sure Rodney was one. 😂 My uncle Bob would always have candy in his pocket and give to me. Always happy to see me and give me a big smile along with a hug!! I always remember him with a toothpick in his mouth after dinner. Lol The smell of my grandmothers coffee percolator , and only getting to eat in the dinning room at Sunday dinners at her house. Uncle Bob, my dad, and papaw would shoot the breeze until evening time. Sometimes uncle Bob would take a nap after dinner. Funny how one can remember certain things from when they were little. Love and prayers to all. RIP my uncle Bob!! You were loved by so many. Only family members will know me by this nameDee Dee*

drema - August 11, 2023 at 07:06 PM