



Ronald R. Holmes

September 28, 1943 - September 8, 2025

Ronald R. Holmes, 81 of Sissonville grasped the hand of his eternal savior, Sweet Jesus as he lovingly called him for his trip to Glory on Monday morning, September 8, 2025. Ronald was a long-time member and Deacon at Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church. The past year, Ronald/Dad/Pawpaw/Pops had toiled with the wretched affliction of Dementia and the complications of a stroke on top.

Never known to slow down and always being jittery, Ronald was a long-time public servant. He retired as a Captain from a lengthy career with the Charleston Fire Department. Owned and operated Certified Oil Station on Rt. 21 in Sissonville. He delivered milk for Valley Bell and Bonham's Dairy. He even worked at Union Carbide and Hertz Rental Car early in his adult life,

Experiencing the glorious glimpses of his eternal life, Ronald knew that our mom was waiting to meet him as he reached the celestial shore of Heaven. Ann (Randolph) Holmes was awaiting her husband of 32 years. Also waiting on their "Baby" was his parents Rev. Albert and Estella Thaxton Holmes. The Holmes' are a large family, so his brothers Lawrence, James, Clifford, Elwood and Lennis "Buddy" were waiting with his sisters Mary Thaxon and Edith Lacy for their baby brother. Surviving Ronald are brother Kenneth (Betty) of Diamond and Elizabeth Bostick of Campbell's Creek.

Of course, this man left us with a difficult legacy that we can only hope to fill. He was our hero and mentor; It's me and my brother now. Ronald leaves an enduring legacy for his two sons to follow. His never-ending pride for them, Mark (Kathy) of Charleston with their son Rev. Randy Campbell, whom Ronald stood steadfastly behind as his first and only Deacon in Randy's pastorship at Elizabeth Baptist and Scott (Tracy) of Sissonville. Pawpaw was tough on their daughters Danielle Asbury and Brooke Kelly as he strictly enforced the procedures of waking up and getting to school on time many mornings. Ronald's grandson Dakota came along, and we all knew our days of being spoiled were going to be short. 8 great grandchildren were able to meet Ronald to call him pawpaw. He also had several loving nephews and nieces, but two could be called his favorite, Pam Thaxton Parsons and Regina Thaxton Huffman.

We have been lucky to have had many good and loving people to cross our paths in life. We would thank our extended family of the nurses and staff of Cedar Ridge Nursing Home and Kanawha Valley Hospice for their compassion and care throughout the last year in assisting us with Dad's struggles with the torment of dementia and his final preparations for his eternal destiny. We also want to thank everyone that has offered a hug, a prayer, a smile or a compassionate offering.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Ronald's name to: Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church, 2550 Wolf Pen Drive, Charleston, WV 25320. Friends may also honor Ronald with a gift in his name at the Bumper Taylor Memorial Scholarship Fund bumperscholarshipfund.com to donate or mail donations to PO Box 13073, Charleston, WV 25360. or HospiceCare at [Make a Donation - HospiceCare](#).

Funeral services will be at Elizabeth Baptist Church 2550 Wolf Pen Drive in Sissonville. The family will accept friends on Wednesday evening, September

10 from 6:00 to 8:00 and one hour prior to service on Thursday. The service will begin at 10:00 a.m. with his grandson, Rev. Randy Campbell officiating. Burial will be alongside his beloved wife Ann in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens in Cross Lanes.

You may visit Ronald'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, is honored to serve the Holmes family.

Cemetery Details

Tyler Mountain Memory Garden

5233 Rocky Fork Rd
Cross Lanes, WV 25313

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Elizabeth Baptist Church
2550 Wolf Pen Drive
Charleston, WV 25320

Funeral Service

SEP **11**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RC

“ Scott and Mark; Our loss is Heavens gain. I have know you all for many years. I have had the pleasure of serving the family I miss seeing you all on a regular basis. But if you would ever need anything please don't hesitate to let me know.. Rusty Casto (cpj) and Cheryl Smith

Rusty Casto - September 11, 2025 at 11:43 AM

JR

“ Ronald was my former brother-in law years ago. He was polite and respectful and a great brother to my ex husband, Buddy Holmes. Elizabeth, Kenneth, Mark, Scott and their families are in my thoughts & prayers. With Love & Sympathy, Judy Holmes Russell

Judy Holmes Russell - September 10, 2025 at 02:26 PM

SL

“ My father-in-law's brother, so sorry to hear.

Sherry L Holmes Levoy - September 10, 2025 at 12:24 PM

AM

“ Known Ronald for many years. Great Godly man. Sending prayers to his family. Albert Murray.

Albert Murray - September 10, 2025 at 11:44 AM

RP

“ Heaven gained a Wonderful man. And We lost a Hero.

Robin Patterson - September 10, 2025 at 08:30 AM

BE

“ Scott and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one. May the Lord walk with you and give you comfort as you travel this valley of grief. Rejoice that your father is whole and resting in the arms of Jesus. Love and prayers.

Bob and Julia Edwards

Bob and Julia Edwards - September 09, 2025 at 08:47 PM

PB

“ I've known Ronald and his two sons most of my life. Ronald was always kind to me. Unfortunately, he had already retired from the CFD before I came onboard there so I never got to work with him. Mark and Scott, I'm sorry for your loss and I'll be praying for you all.

Philip Baldwin - September 09, 2025 at 07:02 PM

HH

“ One of the few Charleston Firemen that treated the Charleston Paramedic with respect. He was a good man and will be sadly missed. Prayers for his family and friends.

Harold Harding - September 09, 2025 at 06:49 PM

RW

“ One of the most honorable men I ever met. I worked for him and some of the things he ministered to me Carry me to this day. He was one of a kind

Ronnie Walls

Ronnie walls - September 09, 2025 at 06:22 PM