



BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON

November 30, 2024

Billy Burch "BB" McPherson, 87, of New Castle, VA passed away on November 30, 2024, at his home. Born on December 29, 1936, to the late Harry McPherson and Mae Paitzel McPherson in Craig County, VA.

In addition to his parents, BB was preceded in death by his beloved wife of over 40 years, Jennifer Carper McPherson, and siblings, Betty McMahan and husband, Don, Polly All, Gene McPherson, and Luther McPherson.

Left to cherish his memory include his children, Donna M. Jones and husband, Mike, and Randy McPherson; his adored grandson, Hunter Jones; brothers, Freddie McPherson (Barbara) and Dan McPherson (Linda), his brother-in-law, Reginald; sister-in-law, Pam; and numerous nieces and nephews.

For over three decades, BB devoted himself to the safety and well-being of the Craig County community as the esteemed Sheriff, serving from January 1, 1972, until his retirement on December 31, 2003. A patriot at heart, he also served his country faithfully in the United States Army, a testament to his selfless nature. Mr. McPherson was also a member of the Craig County Rescue Squad. BB's gentle demeanor and dedication to duty made a lasting impression on all those he worked alongside.

BB had a boundless passion for the outdoors, embracing every occasion to hunt and immerse himself in nature. His ability to brighten the lives of the children he met was incomparable, and his grandson Hunter remained the light of his life. BB's legacy is one of compassion, kindness, and an enduring

commitment to his family and community.

A funeral service to celebrate his life will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at the Paitsel Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Mike Bowman officiating. Burial will follow at Huffman Memorial Park, where military honors will be rendered by the U.S. Army and VFW Post 4491.

Friends may visit with the family from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at the funeral home.

The family wishes to extend a special thanks to all caregivers and everyone who was there for BB during his last days.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to Craig County Emergency Service in BB's honor.

Paitsel Funeral Home of New Castle is serving the McPherson Family.

Cemetery Details

Huffman Memorial Park

Cumberland Gap Rd.
NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Paitsel Funeral Home
286 Main Street
PO Box 326
New Castle, VA 24127
(540) 864-5142
paitselfuneral@aol.com
<https://www.paitselfh.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

DEC 4 (ET)

Huffman Memorial Park
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NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

Tribute Wall

KD

“ sorry to hear about BB he was a good cop.In new castle va he will be missed by who knew him .he was My Dad best friend he is fly high were my Dad and mom is Fly high bb

Karen Duncan - March 01, 2025 at 08:56 PM

GL

“ So sorry to hear of B B 's passing. He really understood the role of the juvenile justice system. We had many long talks about this subject. While he never saw things my way in all things ,he was the most open minded.

Glenn Lavoie - December 23, 2024 at 08:48 PM

PC

“ Peggy Cook lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON



Peggy Cook - December 07, 2024 at 09:24 PM

KB

“ I didn't know him personally, but my family was from New Castle and he was always an icon of the County. I heard his name often in discussions throughout my life. He will be well remembered. So sorry for your loss.

Kathy Burroughs
Family of Ferrells and Hutchisons

Kathy Burroughs - December 05, 2024 at 09:06 AM

LJ

“ *A great man, and a greater friend*

Larry Jent - December 04, 2024 at 04:42 PM

VR

“ *BB was one of the first people I met when i moved here to the county a long time ago. He greeted me with a huge smile and I had the honor of attending his retirement dinner. I could clearly see with the large mass of people that this man had truly touched so many peoples lives. He was always so genuine and nice to me and my children. He and Jennifer had even helped watch my oldest as a baby couple times and spoiled him so much. I am and will forever be grateful for his kindness and love for others. -Vanessa rutter*



Vanessa rutter - December 04, 2024 at 01:57 PM

SD

“ *We are so sorry for your loss,donna,randy,paul,freddie and all the mcpherson family!u are in our prayers!*

Sheila dehart - December 04, 2024 at 09:42 AM

GE

“ *Greg Elmore lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Greg Elmore - December 03, 2024 at 11:14 PM

CC

“ Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON.



Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative - December 03, 2024 at 10:40 AM

CC

“ Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON.

Craig-Botetourt Electric Cooperative - December 03, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ BB always picked on my daughter Ashley with her doll baby BB called her baby doll Moe



Sharon Frango - December 02, 2024 at 07:09 PM

VM

“ Vance Moore lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON



Vance Moore - December 02, 2024 at 05:17 PM

MC

“ *Mary Ellen Carper lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Mary Ellen Carper - December 02, 2024 at 02:13 PM

HH

“ *BB was all way good to me He toke me to the races 4 times and all ways wave or stop talk. Jennife and Family, we are sorry for your loss RIP BB see you on the other side my friend Turman Henderson And Family*



HUGH Turman Henderson - December 02, 2024 at 01:35 PM

RW

“ *Robyn Wright lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Robyn Wright - December 02, 2024 at 12:26 PM

CD

“ *Paul. So sorry for your family's loss. Prayers and hugs. Love you.*



Cameron Darnall - December 02, 2024 at 10:29 AM

MJ

“ *Mark Jones lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Mark Jones - December 02, 2024 at 09:56 AM

LM

“ *Lisa Minnix lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Lisa Minnix - December 02, 2024 at 09:00 AM

SA

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for his family.*



Sandra Abbott - December 02, 2024 at 08:43 AM

BC

“ *BB was a good man. He will be missed by so many. Prayers for the family. This is like the end of a era so sad RIP*

Barbara Cantrell - December 02, 2024 at 06:19 AM

BC

“ *Barbara Cantrell lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Barbara Cantrell - December 02, 2024 at 06:11 AM

BD

“ *Bo & Patricia Duncan lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Bo & Patricia Duncan - December 01, 2024 at 10:07 PM

JR

“ *BB used to come in the hotdog stand on main st. when my grandma Gladys had it up and running all the time and eat and talk with me and joke with me when I was a kid I always told him he reminded me of Andy Griffith he was a wonderful soul that's for sure*

Joseph Rowan - December 01, 2024 at 05:14 PM

CD

“ *Sending Our Condolences. Praying for Family and Friends 🙏 May God give the Family Comfort, Peace and Strength for Each Day during this difficult time. You will be Missed by Many. You earned your wings! Fly High! R.I.P. BB 🕊*



Carolyn and Hank Drewry - December 01, 2024 at 05:10 PM

MW

“ *Melissa Wrenn lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Melissa Wrenn - December 01, 2024 at 05:00 PM

KD

“ *My dad and BB were close friends and BB told me that he had lost his best friend when dad died. I had the privilege of working fo BB and feel honored that I got a chance. He will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace Sheriff. Thank you for your service.*

Kenneth Davis - December 01, 2024 at 04:35 PM

JB

“ *Jack And Diana Bayne lit a candle in memory of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON*



Jack and Diana Bayne - December 01, 2024 at 04:29 PM

PJ

“ *Pat Johnston planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON.*

Pat Johnston - December 01, 2024 at 03:46 PM

PJ

“ *Pat Johnston purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of BILLY "B.B." McPHERSON.*



Pat Johnston - December 01, 2024 at 03:46 PM