



JOHN LEE CALDWELL

July 27, 1927 - September 21, 2021

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7/27/27 to 9/21/2021

John Lee Caldwell, son of the late Betty and Zern Caldwell, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 21st, after a fulfilling life as father, husband, brother, and true friend. Lee was born July 27, 1927, in New Castle, VA, lived for a time in Waitville, WV and after high school, "Dusty Lee" joined the Army Air Force, being stationed in Biloxi, MS and in Newfoundland and Labrador (or as he called them "the hottest place on Earth and the coldest place on Earth!") He retired after many years with Virginia Limestone Plant in Goldbond, then moved back to New Castle to pursue his passion for gardening, machinery and spending fun time with his family.

Lee is preceded in death by his wife, Sylvia Caldwell and his beloved sons, Russell and Mike. He is survived by his daughters, Sylvia Caldwell of Newport News, VA, Jeanette (Bill) Preston of Christiansburg, VA, Kathy (Doug) Crowley of Beaufort, SC, and son Jody (Sheila) Caldwell of Pearisburg, VA; daughter-in-law Sandy Caldwell of Pembroke, VA and his brother Dellie (Linda) Caldwell of New Castle. He is also survived by his two grandchildren, Zachary Preston and Jessica Leigh Caldwell, and two great-granddaughters, Zoey and Charlee. He will also be missed by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Smart, hard-working and a kind-hearted man, Lee will probably be most remembered for his sense of humor and laughter as well as the willingness to always help others out however he could. Lee never met a stranger, grew the largest tomatoes and potatoes around, and always made folks laugh with his stories---never forgetting to ask you how much you paid for gas on your trip there, or what route you took to visit. In lieu of flowers, you may make a donation to the American Cancer Society—or as Daddy would exclaim “better keep your money cause you’re gonna need it!” This one-of-a-kind man will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Funeral Services will be held 11:00 AM Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Paitzel Funeral Home with Pastor Don Brown officiating. Interment will follow at Huffman Memorial Park with Military Rites performed by VFW Post #4491. The family will receive friends 6-8 PM Friday, September 24, 2021 at Paitzel Funeral Home.

Arrangements by Paitzel Funeral Home . www.paitselfh.com

Cemetery Details

Huffman Memorial Park

Cumberland Gap Rd.
NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24**. 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

SEP **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Interment

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Tribute Wall

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“Daddy, You were the best dad in the world, worked hard for your family, and shared some of the funniest stories, I miss your stories, your kind heart, you never met a stranger. I will always miss and love you daddy.

Sylvia Mae Caldwell - March 30, 2024 at 05:52 PM

RB

“I was sadden to see that Mr.Caldwell had passed, we all kind of lost touch, Found myself behind on all in this Family's death's.I thought very much of Lee he reminded me of my own father, But what I truly loved most about him, was he was very talented way with words and stories, he could have me laughing just telling a simple yet hilarious story was just way he told it, Condolences to all the family I know he will be beyond missed RIP Mr.Caldwell, hope I see you again one day.

Renee W Buckland - March 08, 2023 at 04:20 PM

SC

“Rest in peace Daddy, I will miss our calls every night at 7:30. You were the best dad ever! I will love you forever!



Sylvia Mae Caldwell - September 26, 2021 at 07:59 AM

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Daddy,
We missed being with you this Thanksgiving, I think of you everyday and will see you again someday. Until that day Gracie and I will love you always. Your daughter Syl Mae

Sylvia Mae Caldwell - November 25, 2022 at 12:56 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of JOHN LEE CALDWELL.*



September 23, 2021 at 06:42 PM



“ *College of Natural & Behavioral Sciences purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of JOHN LEE CALDWELL.*



College of Natural & Behavioral Sciences - September 23, 2021 at 09:44 AM



“ *Lee was the one that came to our home many times. I was always told the he pitched me up and hit my head on the ceiling when I was a baby. Mom sent him letters and pictures of me when he was in service. We all have great memories of him. God bless all of you, Becky Switzer Vernon*

Becky Switzer Vernon - September 22, 2021 at 05:39 PM

SS

“ Jody, my heart goes out to you and your family. Me and Jr thought so much of Mr. Lee. I really enjoyed talking to him at our little family dinners. He made you feel like you had known him all of your life. He will be greatly missed.

*Sherry Stafford
Jr Davis*

Sherry Stafford - September 22, 2021 at 01:03 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of JOHN LEE CALDWELL.



September 22, 2021 at 01:00 PM