



Robert Columbus Burns Jr.

February 22, 1929 - March 9, 2025

Robert Columbus Burns, Jr, 96, of 1820 South Boston, Hwy, Danville, VA went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, March 9, 2025 after a one month decline in health.

Robert was born on February 22, 1929, in Richland, GA, to the late Robert Columbus Burns Sr. and Alice Clontz Burns. He spent most of his life in the Ringgold Community. As a teenager, Robert began working at a local sawmill, where he became a sawyer. He then worked as a bulldozer operator for Sellers Bros. Construction Company, contributing to the construction of the former 58 Speedway (Dirt Track), where he also raced for several years. Afterward, he worked as a crane operator at Norfolk Shipyard before returning to Danville to join a local amusement company. Robert eventually opened his own business, B&D Amusements, which he ran until his retirement.

He always looked forward to playing a friendly game of cards with his friends and he was very passionate about his Cat Fishing at Hyco Lake.

Robert is survived by one daughter, Linda Burns of Ringgold, VA; one daughter-in-law, Susan Burns of Danville; his former wife and mother of his children, Edith Francisco Burns; special friend, Vivian Counts; grandsons, Andrew J. Burns , Robert A. Burns, and two great grand children .

He was predeceased by his parents, two sons, Robert Michael Burns and Johnny David Burns.

Funeral Services for Robert will be conducted on Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. from the graveside in Highland Burial Park by Pastor Timothy Barth officiating.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Burns family.

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

Highland Burial Park
3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Tribute Wall

LI

“ *Linda and Edith,
I'm so sorry to hear about your Dad. My thoughts and prayers are
with you all. Your family has always been special to me,as well as
Mom and Dad. May God give you peace that passeth all
understanding
Love and prayers,
Lisa Brown Herndon*

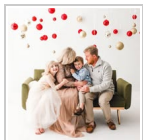
Lisa - March 14, 2025 at 08:56 AM



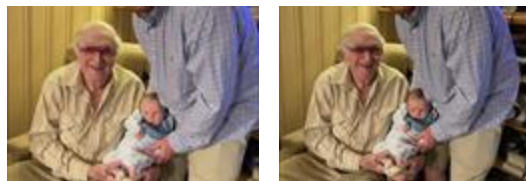
“ *The Roberts* 💚💙



Chelsea Shields Burns - March 11, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Chelsea Shields Burns - March 11, 2025 at 11:19 AM

LB

“ *So sorry for your loss.....sending our prayers.....Lucy and Bo
Barringer*

Lucy Ellen Barringer - March 11, 2025 at 07:50 AM

CH

“ Cheryl H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Columbus Burns Jr..

Cheryl H. - March 11, 2025 at 07:21 AM

KS

“ Linda I am so terribly sorry for the loss of your dad!! 😞💔😞
He was always so good to me when I rented from him for several years. I rented from him after my own home burned down. He was so very good to me for all the years I rented from him. He let me paint and redecorate that little house anyway i wanted. I went through many struggles financially and he ALWAYS worked with me until I could get back on my feet and caught up. He always told me to skip December's rent until later so that I could make sure my son and grandchildren had the best possible Christmas I could give to them. He knew how much it meant to me to make sure their Christmas special. I was always so grateful for how good he was to me.
Rest In Peace Mr. Burns
😞💔😞((((HUGE HUGS))))😞💔😞 to you Linda



Karen Shaw - March 10, 2025 at 11:35 PM

JD

“ Joe And Martha Doss lit a candle in memory of Robert Columbus Burns Jr.



Joe and Martha Doss - March 10, 2025 at 11:31 PM

JE

“ *Robert was a wonderful man who always greeted me with a wave and a smile on his face. I will miss him. Jane Edmonds*

Jane Edmonds - March 10, 2025 at 10:15 PM