



Douglas Wayne Herndon

January 17, 1944 - May 21, 2026

Douglas Wayne Herndon, 82, of Dry Fork, VA, died Thursday, May 21, 2026 at his residence after battling cancer for more than six years.

Wayne was born in Pittsylvania County, VA on January 17, 1944, a son of the late John Harold Herndon and L.Z. Holley Herndon. He lived his life in Pittsylvania Co., VA and retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company after more than 30 years of service where he worked as a relief operator on the No. 1 Tuber.

Wayne was a member of Faith Memorial Baptist Church. He enjoyed bird watching, especially purple martins and hummingbirds, and making bird houses and working with wood.

On June 18, 1965 he married Vivian Bray Herndon, who survives.

In addition to his wife, of the residence, Wayne is survived by two daughters, Pamela H. Champion of Dry Fork, VA, and Donna H. Adams of Bassett, VA; two grandsons, Cameron Adams (Khali) of Bassett, VA, and Jonathan Champion of Dry Fork, VA; a brother, Harold Dwight Herndon of Danville, VA; three sisters, Judy H. Sned (Lawrence) of Cascade, VA, June H. Tate of Danville, VA, and Wendy H. Haymore of Danville, VA; and a brother-in-law, Jim Fitzpatrick of Chesapeake, VA.

Wayne was predeceased by a great grandson, Fletcher Adams; four sisters, Eliza H. Rowland, Geraldine H. Kendrick, Frances H. Fitzpatrick, and Dorothy Aaron.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. at Faith Memorial Baptist Church with Pastor Austin Merricks and Pastor Jordan Keatts officiating. Interment will follow the service at Danville Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, at the church, from 10:00 until 11:00 A.M.

The family would like to express a special thank you to the staff of Medi Home Hospice for the loving and compassionate care they provided to Wayne during the past six months.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials may be made to the Faith Memorial Baptist Church Building Fund, 7450 Martinsville Hwy, Danville, VA 24541 or to the Tunstall Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 575, Danville, VA 24543.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Herndon family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Memorial Baptist Church
7450 Martinsville Highway
Danville, VA

Funeral Service

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Memorial Baptist Church
7450 Martinsville Highway
Danville, VA

Burial

MAY 27 (ET)

Danville Memorial Gardens
510 Church Ave
Danville, VA 24541
(434) 822-1617

Tribute Wall

EL

“ Wayne was like a breath of sunshine when he walked into a room. Always like a brother to me. Love to talk and laugh with him. He will be missed by all that knew him. Rest in peace till we meet again.

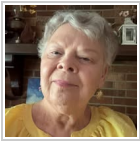


Eleanor - May 24 at 09:47 AM

LS

“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Wayne. We went to church together, and I know he will be missed by all who knew him. RIP. Lloyd Stanton.

Lloyd Stanton - May 22 at 10:17 AM



“ I am so sorry Wayne has passed away. My sincere sympathy to Vivian, Pam, Donna, and all of the family.
Love,
Dorothy W. Chludzinski



Dorothy Chludzinski - May 22 at 01:14 AM

JH

“ Jim, Kim, and Hunter purchased the 8" Angel holding Dove for the family of Douglas Wayne Herndon.



Jim, Kim, and Hunter - May 21 at 06:59 PM

JF

“ *Very sorry to learn of Wayne's passing. He was like a brother and always enjoyed visiting with him and will be greatly missed. Rest easy DW as your reward is great. Jim Fitzpatrick*

Jim Fitzpatrick - May 21 at 06:46 PM

JH

Dear Vivian, Pam, Donna and family, My deepest sympathy to each of you. We didn't know Wayne had cancer-I am sorry. Life has taken us down different paths, but we remember the past and all we meant to each other. You two were such a blessing to Herbert and I! My health is bad now, I am in Novant hospital. They said i might come home Wednesday. I love you all.

Joan S. Holley - May 24 at 03:28 PM