



## Howard Robertson Holley

November 25, 1918 - November 1, 2013

Howard Robertson Holley, 94, of Danville, VA, died peacefully at his residence on Friday, November 1, 2013.

Born in Whitmell Community of Pittsylvania County, VA on November 25, 1918 he was the son of the late Henry Leonard Holley and Bessie Cassada Holley.

Mr. Holley graduated from Whitmell High School at the age of 15 and was selected to present a gift to the school from the class of 1935. He later served in the U.S. Army during WWII where he received several medals.

He worked for Merricks & Barnard Grocery for five years and later became a partner in Norton & Holley Wholesale Grocery for thirty four years retiring in 1980. He was a member of the former Keen Street Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon and on various committees.

He was also a member of Tuscarora Country Club, with three holes in one. The Improved Order of Redman Poquoson Tribe # 124, and the American Legion post #325.

On September 29, 1940, he married the love of his life, Irene White Holley, who died on August 4, 2013.

Survivors include a daughter, Deborah H. Touchstone, of Martinsville, VA; four grandchildren, Kelly Barlew, Wendy Schilbe, Scott Holley, and Steven Touchstone; ten great-grandchildren, Jake Johnson, Kyle Bowman, Lindsay Barlew, Allison Barlew, Sam Schilbe, Will Touchstone, Davis Schilbe, Berkeley Touchstone, Parker Holley, and Lucy Kate Holley.

In addition to his wife he was also predeceased by a son, Donald Howard Holley, and a son-in-law, Gene Touchstone.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 11:00 A.M. from the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel conducted by the Rev. Jeffrey Wright. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park with Military Honors by American Legion Dan River Post # 1097 Honor Guard.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 P.M. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests that memorial donations be made to the Eugene Touchstone Memorial Wrestling Scholarship VMI Keydet Club c/o Donnie Ross P.O. Box 932 Lexington, VA 24450.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Holley family.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street  
Danville, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 6. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel  
703 North Main Street  
Danville, VA 24540  
(434) 793-5511  
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## Funeral Service

NOV 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear family,

*I did not know Howard personally, but I wanted to express my deepest sympathy for your loss. At times like this, I have always been very comforted by Jesus Christ's words at John 5:28,29. There he promised that "the hour is coming when all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out...to a resurrection if life." I look forward to that time so much. I will keep you in my prayers. Feel free to contact me at my email address and again I am so sorry for your loss.*

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