

James "Jim" Nathan Lowe

October 31, 1944 - October 11, 2025

James "Jim" Nathan Lowe, 80, of the Whitmell Community, of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on October 11, 2025. He was born in Newport News, Virginia, on October 31, 1944, to the late Jim Henry Lowe and Hazel Wells Lowe. He moved to Danville, Virginia when he was three years old. Jim married the love of his life, Patricia Wallace Lowe, on June 12, 1965. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, with whom he shared 54 cherished years of love, devotion, and faith.

Jim dearly loved his wife, and now they are reunited in heaven, rejoicing together in the presence of their Lord. The two faithfully served as leaders of the Shermont Baptist Church Decorating Committee, joyfully working side by side to make their church beautiful for the Lord—especially during Christmas, a season they both loved deeply.

Jim is survived by his daughter, Dr. Stephanie Lowe Ellis, and her husband, Christopher T. Ellis, both of Dry Fork, VA; two sisters, Ann Lowe Oughton (Sam) and Jennifer Lowe Orenic (Chuck); and was preceded in death by his brother, Stephen "Steve" Crawley Lowe.

He was a devoted husband, loving father, caring brother, and faithful servant of the Lord who lived a life marked by hard work, determination, and steadfast

faith.

A graduate of Virginia Tech in 1967 and Whitmell Farm Life High School in 1962. Jim began his career in education, teaching algebra and geometry at Tunstall High School from 1967 to 1972. He also taught at the Dan River Mills Adult Evening Education School from 1968 to 1969, where he shared his love of math and learning with many.

Jim began working in the heating and air conditioning trade at the young age of twelve alongside his father. His dedication and skill led him to become a partner in Lowe & Sons Heating and Air Conditioning, where he faithfully served the community for 62 years until his retirement in 2018. His work ethic, integrity, and commitment to excellence were evident in all that he did.

A faithful member of Shermont Baptist Church, Jim loved the Lord deeply. He was honored to sing in the Shermont Choir, serve as a Deacon, and contribute on numerous church committees. His church family was a great joy and source of fellowship throughout his life.

Jim was also active in many professional and civic organizations. He was a 50-year member of the Roman Eagle #122 Masonic Lodge. He served as Vice President (1996–1999), President-Elect (1998–1999), and State President (2000) of the Plumbing and Mechanical Professionals of Virginia (PMPV), where he was named Mechanical Contractor of the Year in 2000. He also served as Past President of the Danville-Pittsylvania Home Builders Association (1991–1993) and chaired its Legislative Committee. In addition, he served on the State Home Builders Legislative Committee and was Past President of the Danville-Pittsylvania Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling Contractors Association (1989–1991).

Jim was deeply committed to education in Pittsylvania County, serving on the

Citizens Advisory Committee (1994–1996) and the Vocational Advisory Committee from 1980 into the early 2000s. In recognition of his dedication to vocational education, he received numerous honors, including the Whole Village Award from the Pittsylvania Education Association in 1993 and 1997, and the Rufus W. Beamer Award of Excellence from the Vocational Education Association of Virginia in 2000.

In March 2001, he was appointed by Governor Jim Gilmore to the State Building Code Technical Review Board, where he continued to serve under Governor Mark Warner as well.

Outside of his many accomplishments, Jim loved spending time outdoors, especially enjoying golf and hunting. But above all, his greatest joys came from time spent with his family and serving the Lord he loved so dearly.

His life reflected one of his favorite scriptures, “Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Lord.” (Matthew 25:21)

A visitation will be held at Shermont Baptist Church on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., followed by a funeral service conducted by the Rev. Ryan Riley at 1:00 p.m. at Shermont Baptist Church. Masonic rites will be held at the church following the funeral service. Interment will follow at Danville Memorial Gardens. The family will also receive friends at his home in Dry Fork, Virginia. The family would like to thank the many friends and family who have offered support, encouragement, and love.

The family is being served by Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home – Westover Chapel.

Expressions of sympathy in the form of flowers can be sent to Shermont

Baptist Church on the day of the funeral and/or memorial contributions to Children's Bible Camp (P.O. Box 17 Chatham, VA 24531), where countless children are brought to know the Lord each summer. Jim and his brother, Steve, loved supporting this camp and took great joy in helping lead young hearts to Christ. Their shared passion for giving to this ministry was a reflection of their desire to further God's Kingdom and see souls saved in the name of Jesus.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM (Est)

Shermont Baptist Church
781 Mt Cross Rd
Address
Danville, VA 24540

Funeral Service

OCT **15**. 1:00 PM (Est)

Shermont Baptist Church
781 Mt Cross Rd
Address
Danville, VA 24540

Burial

OCT **15** (ET)

Danville Memorial Gardens
510 Church Ave
Danville, VA 24541
(434) 424-8641

Tribute Wall



“ Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - October 13, 2025 at 02:39 PM



“ Love, Whitney, Carter, and Helen Meadors planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.

Love, Whitney, Carter, and Helen Meadors - October 15, 2025 at 07:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.



October 15, 2025 at 07:28 PM



“ I remember Mr. Lowe. He taught at Tunstall High School when I was a student there. May he now Rest in God's Peace. Suzanne Mundy



Suzanne Mundy - October 15, 2025 at 02:00 PM

CC

“ *Mr. Lowe loved his wife and daughter. He was very dedicated to the both of them. His daughter introduced him to me and I felt that while his demeanor was that of a quiet man, that he had much to say. God Bless all of the family as they move this loss.*

Cindy Corcoran - October 15, 2025 at 10:24 AM

BH

“ *I had Mr Lowe as a teacher at tunstall high school . He was a great teacher and a nice man. RIP Mr. Lowe. Prayers for the family and friends 🙏*



Becky Hubbard - October 15, 2025 at 10:12 AM

DP

“ *Mr. Lowe was an awesome teacher; however, I was not an awesome math student. One particular test on a bright, sunny day stands out in my memory. I sat in a row next to the windows, and if I remember correctly, was staring out the window at some cows in the distance. He asked what I was looking at, and I replied, "I looketh unto the hills from whence cometh my help". When I turned my paper in, I wrote at the bottom of my paper, " The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." When he gave my test back, this was written at the top in bright red ink. "The Lord should surely love me because I gave unselfishly of my red ink"! 🙏 He had a great sense of humor, and his patience helped get through that class with a B average. Truly a small miracle! I look forward to seeing him in Heaven and reminding him of that day. 😊*

Denise (Arnn) Poage - October 14, 2025 at 03:41 PM

BW

“ To Mr. Lowe's family, I had Mr. Lowe for math when a student at Tunstall over 50 years ago. He was such a nice man. Kind and truly concerned about his students, he went that extra mile to help those who needed that extra push. I pray Our Lord and Savior will wrap you all in His loving arms to sustain you during this incredibly sad and difficult time. God bless you all.

Billie Carter Wyatt - October 14, 2025 at 10:50 AM

RB

“ Lowe & Sons did our heat and air for 37 years, only heat and air ever used, we spoke quite often and I will miss those conversations! Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.
Vickie & Rick Blair

Rick Blair - October 14, 2025 at 07:55 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.



October 13, 2025 at 09:32 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.



October 13, 2025 at 06:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.



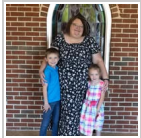
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“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe.



October 13, 2025 at 04:26 PM



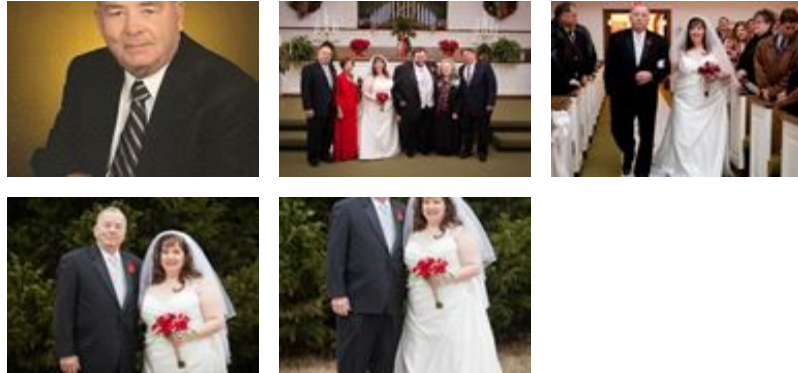
“ *Although I never met Mr Lowe, I know him through Children's Bible Camp and his dedication to the children of that camp. We will forever be grateful for his and his family's support of the camp. We will be praying for you all during this time.*

Hollye Keesee

Hollye Keesee - October 13, 2025 at 02:44 PM



“ 151 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - October 13, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ *Enjoyed having Mr. Lowe as a teacher and getting to know him better. He once worked on my heating and air, and I see him out and about locally. He always spoke to me and was so kind. But I especially appreciated how he attended our Tunstall High School reunions. He was a kind and gentle man and will be missed by many.*



Janet Teague Hullender - October 13, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ *Vickie Moss lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Nathan Lowe*



Vickie Moss - October 13, 2025 at 12:32 PM