



Nelson Ray Bates

October 4, 1954 - October 1, 2015

Nelson Ray Bates, 60 of 759 Holland Road, Danville, VA died on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at his residence after being in declining health for the past three years.

Mr. Bates was born in Danville, VA on October 4, 1954 a son of the late Randy H. Bates and Frances Cassidy Bates who survives. He was a former employee of the City of Danville and he was a member of College Park Baptist Church. He was married to Donna Spangler Bates who survives.

Mr. Bates is also survived by one son Jason R. Bates, one daughter Kimberly M. Bates, one brother John R. Bates, Sr. all of Danville, VA, one sister Margaret W. Bolton of Altavista, VA, four grandchildren Austin Milam, Damion Bates, Seth Bates and Sky Bates all of Danville, VA. In Addition to his father he was predeceased by three brothers Douglas Wilson, Jerry Wilson and Ricky Bates, one sister Gladys Hisel.

A Memorial Service will be conducted on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. from the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel by the Reverend CAM McIntire. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. prior to the service.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, October 4, 2015 at the residence of

his niece Crystal Bates Moore, 1620 Halifax Road, Lot 17, Danville, VA 24540 from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. The family request that in lieu of flowers that memorial donations be made to the account of Mr. Bates, C/o Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home, 703 North Main Street, Danville, VA 24540.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel
703 North Main Street
Danville, VA 24540
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Tribute Wall

CR

“ we had such great times on E.Stokes St. i have a lot of good memories of my times with Ray and the others. we did a lot of things together. will never forget him.

chuck roach - October 04, 2015 at 05:15 AM

CM

I am sure you guys did things were so much different then I have always enjoyed hearing the stories friendships made that lasted a lifetime

crystal bates moore - October 04, 2015 at 08:13 AM

FC

Rest in peaceRay love you and going to miss you Kay

fannie collins - October 04, 2015 at 05:29 PM

CM

“ I don't know where to start all my life included you after daddy died you stepped up and help raise me all the good times the bad times laughter tears I will never forget rest in peace gonna miss you

crystal bates moore - October 03, 2015 at 10:10 PM

CB

“ Crystal, Austin, Jason, Kim, and the rest of the family I am so sorry for your loss..Ray was loved and known by many, he will be greatly missed by so many...RIP Ray, love ya until we meet again...



Cathy Bailey - October 03, 2015 at 06:51 PM

TD

Good by Ray, I've known you since we took our first drink together. You were always my friend. we worked, drank, fought and shared many good and bad times together. Rest In Peace my friend.

tommy davis - October 04, 2015 at 08:14 AM

WJ

We known each other for many years. We used to go to westling matches at the city armory on main street together. Gonna miss ya, Ray. Good friends for over fifty years. Gone but not forgotten.

William Jones - October 04, 2015 at 03:37 PM

JT

Sorry to hear of Ray's passing, may he rest in peace. William Tolley & Family

Jewel Tolley - October 06, 2015 at 11:33 AM