



Ronnie Lee Haymore

May 30, 1947 - February 4, 2023

Ronnie Lee Haymore, 75 of Whitmell departed this life on Saturday, February 4, 2023.

Born in Danville, VA on May 30, 1947 a son of the late Herman Faye Haymore, Sr., and Lillian Hearp Haymore.

Ronnie graduated from Tunstall High School class of 1965 and served in the Virginia National Guard. He was a long time Dry Fork tobacco farmer until he became the Owner/Operator of Danville Casket Company, Inc, which he ran until his death. He was of the Methodist faith.

Ronnie loved all-things sports, especially baseball, having excelled by any metric as a catcher for Tunstall High School, and was a competitive and successful slow-pitch softball player for many years. He enjoyed a love/hate relationship with his beloved New York Yankees. Ronnie started coaching youth baseball in the early 1980's and worked as a coach and board member for Pittsylvania County Youth Sports from its inception through and beyond the years of his children's playing days. He eventually moved into the high school ranks coaching the Chatham Cavaliers for a total of 14 years, the last seven as the head baseball coach. Ronnie was named the Dogwood District Coach of the Year on multiple occasions while coaching at Chatham High School. Thereafter, he continued a passion for coaching with multiple years of service

at Hargrave Military Academy and at George Washington High School. Ronnie was inaugurated into the initial class of the Pittsylvania County Sports Hall of Fame in 2014.

He was an avid golfer and longtime member of Tuscarora Country Club, becoming a lifetime member of the club many years ago.

Ronnie served multiple terms on the Pittsylvania County Department of Social Services Board of Directors. He was currently serving on the Pittsylvania County Industrial Development Association board and the Tunstall Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department board at the time of his passing.

On June 23, 1968, he married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Penny Powell Haymore, who survives.

Survivors in addition to his wife include two sons, Ron L. Haymore, Jr., (Kim), Greg Haymore (Amy), brothers, H. F. Haymore (Faye), Johnny Ray Haymore, four grandchildren, Brooke Galindo (Ernest), Blake Haymore, Anderson Haymore, Reece Haymore, a great-grandson, Kayson Galindo, and his beloved dog, Lexy.

In addition to his parents he was predeceased by a brother, Jerry Wayne Haymore.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 2:00 PM at Whitmell United Methodist Church with the Rev. Wayne Moore and the Rev. Mike Hearp officiating. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday evening from 6:00-7:30 PM at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel and at the residence at other times.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to Tunstall Fire and Rescue or to Whitmell United Methodist Church.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Haymore Family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel
5858 Riverside Drive
Danville, VA 24541
(434) 793-5511
info@wrenn-yeatts.com
<https://www.wrenn-yeatts.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Whitmell United Methodist Church
2168 Whitmell School Road
Dry Fork, VA 24594

Burial

FEB 8 (ET)

Highland Burial Park
3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Tribute Wall

KL

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Haymore. I have vivid memories of him being an important part of my youth baseball experience in Danville. My condolences to Mr. H , Faye and the entire Haymore family. He was a wonderful man.

Kevin L. Lyons - February 14, 2023 at 03:02 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



February 09, 2023 at 05:56 PM

SW

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Ronnie Haymore. I got to know Ronnie while I was working at Chatham High School. He was a fine man. He was very passionate about high school baseball, especially Chatham versus Tunstall games. He was a great coach. My deepest sympathies to his family.
Steve Wall

Steve Wall - February 09, 2023 at 04:51 PM

RH

“ To the family of Ronnie Haymore, my deepest sympathies and prayers are with you during this time of bereavement. Coach Haymore was a man of character and integrity. He loved all his student athletes, my son included. I had the pleasure of visiting him recently to show him how much I appreciated him as a person. Coach, you have hit a grand slam..take your place in the sky..rest in peace. With deepest respect..Coach Rachel Hunt

Rachel Hunt - February 08, 2023 at 10:47 AM

FS

“ Greg so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. We will keep you and your family in prayer
Hold to God's unchanging hands and he will help you 🙏
Frank and Mable Scott

Frank and Mable Scott - February 08, 2023 at 10:23 AM

SE

“ so sorry to hear about Ronnie, He was a great guy in every way, I am honored that I am able to call him my friend, My thoughts and prayers are with all the family at this time..Sincerely..

Sam Edwards - February 08, 2023 at 09:03 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



February 08, 2023 at 05:16 AM

TB

“ Ronnie was a good man. I have many good memories of playing ball with Ronnie for THS. Fond memories of all of us piled in the back of Mom's pickup truck as our ride to the ballgame. He never failed to remember to thank her. He never changed, just aged like the rest of us. I will always cherish his friendship. Many prayers for Penny and family.
Tommy Badgett



Thomas Badgett - February 07, 2023 at 09:24 PM

TB

“ Haymore Family,
Ronnie was a blessing to all who knew him. He never met a stranger. He was a good farmer and business man. We are blessed that he was part of our lives.
God Bless
Tom & Penny Blair

Tom Blair - February 07, 2023 at 04:24 PM

VM

“ While I did not know Mr. Haymore personally, his wife was often my substitute teacher at Whitmell, his son Greg and I rode the school bus together, and I hired his grandson Blake (great employee) at Food Lion while he was in high school. Sending love and prayers to the entire Haymore family.



Vonetta Medrano - February 07, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



February 07, 2023 at 01:55 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



February 07, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *Mitch and Sandra Conner* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



Mitch and Sandra Conner - February 07, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.



February 07, 2023 at 10:00 AM

JR

“ Love and prayers to the Haymore family.



Judy Robertson - February 07, 2023 at 08:08 AM

KW

“ My heart hurts so bad. Mr. Haymore was my friend. We met over 24 years ago when I started at Fisher and Watkins Funeral Home. I know we talked at least 4 times per week and saw each other at least twice a week right up to last week. He had such a sense of humor and we would have to laugh sometimes at situations we found ourselves in but he was always there to help us no matter the circumstances or whatever the time. I pray for comfort for Mrs. Penny, his sons he was so proud of, his grandchildren and great-grands and his beloved Lexie.

In honor of our friend,

*Kimberly C. Watkins
Fisher and Watkins Funeral Home
Waverly Watkins, Jr., President*

Kimberly C. Watkins - February 06, 2023 at 11:21 PM

JM

“ I can't say enough wonderful things about Ronnie and his wife Penny. They were great neighbors for 27 years and terrific role models for my two girls. Wendy stayed with them after school all through her elementary years, and there was a worn path between our houses. Sending love and prayers to Penny, Ron ,Greg and family.

Janet Edwards McCarter - February 06, 2023 at 08:27 PM

BR

Penny, Greg and Ron so sorry to hear about Ronnie he was a great man and will be missed. I remember talking to him about everything and all the stories he had when he brought caskets to Wrenn Yeatts. He was a great mentor to all the baseball players at Chatham. You all are in your prayers. 🙏

Brett Robertson - February 06, 2023 at 09:12 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.*



February 06, 2023 at 08:17 PM

ER

“ *Penny and Family,
I was so shocked in hearing that Ronnie had passed away! I will miss him being at the store when I came in there before going to work in the mornings. My prayers are with you all !!
Love Elizabeth, Joe, and Stephanie*



Elizabeth Robertson - February 06, 2023 at 07:56 PM

BY

“ *Barry Young lit a candle in memory of Ronnie Lee Haymore*



Barry Young - February 06, 2023 at 07:36 PM

MG

“ Thoughts and prayers to this precious family 🙏

Margaret Gupton - February 06, 2023 at 07:24 PM



“ Ron, Kim and family, I'm sorry for your loss.

Joey Slaughter - February 06, 2023 at 04:41 PM

WJ

“ We lost a good man and a real friend. Whitmell community will never be the same. I've known Ronnie for almost 60 years and he is still the same Ronnie that he was when we played baseball for Jack Bryant at THS. Just look up at those eyes. You know he's thinking up some mischief. Love you Ronnie. My sympathies go out to Penny, Ron, Greg and all of the Haymore clan.

Wiley F. Ashworth, Jr. - February 06, 2023 at 03:55 PM

MB

“ He has always been good to me and I really enjoyed all the times we got to talk, when he coached at Chatham and when I would see him at Mill's. We truly lost a good man here. My love, thoughts and prayers go out to the family. He will be missed by lots and lots of people.

Matthew Beard - February 06, 2023 at 03:17 PM

VL

“ Prayers lifted for the Haymore family and friends having to cope with this huge loss. Ronnie was a dear friend to my husband and I. His sense of humor and huge personality will be missed by many!

Vicky and Joe Lee



Vicky Lee - February 06, 2023 at 01:07 PM

KB

“ Sending my condolences to the family Ronnie was a vip customer here at Mills Service n Groc on whitmell sch Rd he going be miss fixing his chicken biscuit every morning for sure . He was family to us.. love ya Mr Haymore

Kristy brumfield - February 06, 2023 at 12:40 PM

DW

“ Penny and Family, We were saddened to learn of your loss. Ronnie was a go getter in whatever he did, be it work or play. Prayers for all of you. Ronnie and Darlene Watson

DARLENE LAW WATSON - February 06, 2023 at 11:43 AM

JS

“ Jessica Saunders sent a virtual gift in memory of Ronnie Lee Haymore



Jessica Saunders - February 06, 2023 at 11:40 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.*



February 06, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ronnie Lee Haymore.*



February 06, 2023 at 07:43 AM



“ *Jennifer Brumfield lit a candle in memory of Ronnie Lee Haymore*



Jennifer Brumfield - February 05, 2023 at 09:08 PM



*TO ALL THE FAMILY: Ronnie was a friend of ours and will be really missed by all that had the pleasure of knowing HIM. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL AT THIS TIME!!
Joe and Martha Doss*

Joe Doss - February 06, 2023 at 11:27 PM