



William James Torok

July 28, 1945 - October 26, 2025

William James Torok, Age 80. Born July 28, 1945 passed away peacefully and surrounded by family in Danville, Virginia on October 26, 2025. He was called Bill by those who knew him and loved him. Bill was a Graduate of Martins Ferry High School Class of 1963. After graduation he worked at Wheeling Steel Factory while attending night classes at a branch of Ohio University. He then went on to Graduate with a Bachelor's Degree from West Liberty College. Furthering his education, Bill pursued his Master's Degree in Education Administration at the University of Virginia. Bill's final pursuit was his Doctor of Education Degree in Organizational Management and Systematic Change from the University of Maryland. Bill achieved each of these degrees while also working full time a true testament to his dedication of achieving a goal.

Bill was a teacher at Wheeling High School in Wheeling, West Virginia. He was a Middle School Teacher in Prince William County, Virginia. Bill started his administration Career as an Assistant Principal in Prince William County followed by Boiling Springs in Pennsylvania. He then became a Principal at Hanover Middle School in Hanover, Pennsylvania. His career advanced to a Supervisor of Middle Schools for Fredrick County outside of Winchester, Virginia. This position led him to achieving an Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Gloucester County, Virginia. Bill then went on to accept a position of Superintendent of Schools for Lewisburg Area School District in Lewisburg,

Pennsylvania. Bill completed his career with a final position as Superintendent of Schools for Danville City Schools with a retirement in 2005.

Throughout his career as an administrator Bill was also a College Professor. Bill was an Adjunct Professor for the Graduate Program of Education at George Washington University Satellite Campus in Virginia. He was also an Adjunct Professor for the Doctoral Program of Education at Bucknell University in Lewisburg Pennsylvania.

Bill was an excellent administrator but most importantly he was a Christian who loved the Lord with his own personal testament of his belief in Jesus Christ. He was a member of Woodlawn Baptist Church and Faith Memorial Baptist Church. Bill loved teaching Sunday School at Woodlawn Baptist church and helping others to have a deeper understanding of the Bible. He loved cooking and indulging in specialty meats, cheeses, and pickles from the many places he would visit with friends and family. He enjoyed landscaping, college basketball (particularly the NCAA tournament), roller coasters, and especially his family.

Bill is survived by his wife of 56 years Debbie Torok of Danville, VA. Son Steven W. Torok and wife Nikki Torok of Jacksonville, FL. Daughter Tracy J. Nelson wife of Vernon Nelson of Virginia Beach. Grandson Zachary Nelson of Asheboro, NC. Granddaughter Sara Nelson of Virginia Beach. He was preceded in death by his parents Theodore Torok and Gizella Barabas Torok as well as his brother Ted Torok.

A Memorial Service will be held in honor of Bill's life at Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home, Westover Chapel, 5858 Riverside Drive in Danville, Virginia at 1:00 PM on Saturday, November 1, 2025.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Torok family.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Dr. Torok and Debbie were so nice to my granddaughters at Woodlawn Baptist Church. ...Madison, Hailey Grace, and Lily .They worked with the Children ' Church program and the girls wanted to always be at church when they were the leaders. Debbie, you and your family are in our prayers . Dennis and Kathy Blalock*

Dennis and Kathy Blalock - November 01, 2025 at 11:08 AM

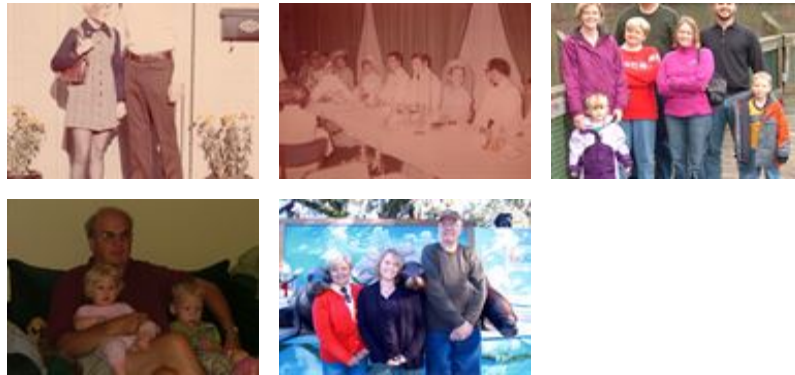
MW

Mark and I just read about Bill's death. Such a wonderful person walking God's path. Thank you for being apart of our life. May your family continue on your path. 1 Peter 5:7

Mark and Kelly Winstead - November 11, 2025 at 01:01 PM



“ *158 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - October 31, 2025 at 05:21 PM

CO

I will always remember Billy as the funniest yet most thoughtful cousin I had. When we went to the ballpark in Martins Ferry, Billy was always checking on the two youngest. I also remember visiting him and Debbie in Northern Virginia 40+ years ago. Both Debbie and Billy made me feel at home. Only good memories of Billy and the times in Martins Ferry and the farm. Courtney O'Sullivan, daughter of Erma Torok O'Sullivan

Courtney O'Sullivan - November 03, 2025 at 01:25 PM



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Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - October 31, 2025 at 05:01 PM

SS

“ *Dr. Torok (Bill) was an excellent administrator and faithful Sunday School teacher, but most importantly, a friend to so many. He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.*

Sammy and Carol Shields - October 29, 2025 at 04:52 PM

RD

I was saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Barry and I loved him as a Sunday school teacher. Debbie, my prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Ruby Doss - November 01, 2025 at 11:18 AM

VL

“ *Virginia Beach, Gal Pals V S D R K L planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William James Torok.*

Virginia Beach, Gal Pals V S D R K L - October 29, 2025 at 03:56 PM

VL

“ Virginia Beach, Gal Pals V S D R K L purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William James Torok.



Virginia Beach, Gal Pals V S D R K L - October 29, 2025 at 03:56 PM

LF

“ Love, Gregg, Vickie and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William James Torok.



Love, Gregg, Vickie and family - October 29, 2025 at 12:35 PM

RM

“ I got to know him at Roman Eagle Rehab. He was the sweetest man. It was a pleasure knowing him.



Robin Moore - October 28, 2025 at 06:05 PM

TN

Thank you Robin, he really appreciated the brownies you had brought him before.

Tracy Nelson - October 28, 2025 at 06:30 PM