



## David Robert West

October 20, 1964 - September 15, 2024

David Robert West was born on October 20, 1964 in Cheverly, MD to Martha Jean Ellis West and the late A. Howard West (both formerly of Fairmont, WV). He was the youngest of four siblings and, according to him, his parents' favorite child. He remained close to his parents throughout his life, including moving to Chestertown with them and eventually building his house 40-feet away from theirs (yes, they measured).

David "occasionally" attended Bladensburg High School. He earned his GED and began a life-long career in heavy-duty truck parts, first with Wareheim Air Brakes, then with Keller Truck Parts, and finally retiring from FleetPride as the store manager for Dover, Delaware. He was incredibly proud of his store and his coworkers with which he shattered many sales records.

As a kid, David enjoyed playing pinball and was even featured in a local newspaper for his high scores. He worked many odd jobs as a teen including a game operator for a carnival, a dish washer at Berk Motley's Sirloin Room, and a cashier for Theodoropoulos Papadopoulos's gas station.

David had many accomplishments in his short life and his family was immensely proud of him. One of his greatest accomplishments was his long-term sobriety. His hobbies included fishing, shooting sporting clays, and collecting decoys. He enjoyed his boat, especially the day he bought it and the

day he sold it. There was seemingly no limit to the amount of time or money he could spend on Amazon or in hardware stores. He loved all of his dogs, past and present. He leaves behind a dog, Sierra, and one very special, failed barn cat named Bisquick, to wonder where their extra treats will come from now.

David spent the last few months of his life in and out of the hospital and rehabilitation centers as he battled cancer and other health issues. He made his presence known and was bestowed the honorary title of "Mayor" at his last rehab facility. He even received the keys to the place when a nurse accidentally left them in his room.

David will be greeted in heaven by his father, his brother Mark, favorite sister-in-law Ruth, and nephew Robert West. He is survived by his mother, Martha West (90) of Chestertown, sister Sharon and her husband Ernie Dennison, sister Diane Kent, niece Rebekah West (all of La Plata, MD), niece Rachel and her husband Pastor Timothy Davis of Chestertown, his nephew Ernie Dennison, Jr. and great-nephew Ernie James Dennison of Delmar, MD, aunt Melba Lough and uncle Robert Ellis both of Fairmont, WV, many cousins and friends.

David would like to be remembered for his generosity and humor and would appreciate that to be his legacy for his family. He always did everything REELBIG.

He was associated with Hope Fellowship Church in Chestertown. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the church's Building Fund:

ctownhope.com

PO BOX 579

Chestertown, MD 21620



# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

## Burial

SEP 20 (ET)

Crumpton Cemetery  
Crumpton, MD

# Tribute Wall



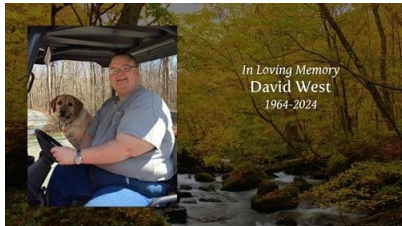
“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of David Robert West*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 20, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Robert West*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 17, 2024 at 10:51 AM



*What an absolutely beautiful video!*

Shel Barron - September 18, 2024 at 01:04 PM

NB

*Thanks for sharing this video with us.*

Nancy J Brady - September 18, 2024 at 04:26 PM

AF

“ Andy Foster lit a candle in memory of David Robert West



Andy Foster - September 27, 2024 at 01:13 PM

TT

“ David was an awesome coworker and person. He loved fishing and a great joke. I'm sure that he will be missed by his family and friends.

Tony Trey - September 24, 2024 at 11:07 PM

NB

“ We're all lucky to have known David and he will be missed so much by everyone.

Nancy J Brady - September 18, 2024 at 04:32 PM

SB

“ Shelley & Keith Barron purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Robert West.



Shelley & Keith Barron - September 18, 2024 at 09:15 AM

SB

“ Shelley & Keith Barron planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Robert West.

Shelley & Keith Barron - September 18, 2024 at 09:15 AM



“ David...where do I start! You were my BIG buddy from day one; we'd have serious conversations about work stuff, home life, ;-)  
people. Then we'd have conversations about absolutely nothing and we'd laugh like 2 fools. Usually your first words to me on the phone were OW'YOU DOIN!! Whenever you came to "Hangover" St. your first stop (before the potty) was to give my one of your great big hugs and I will be forever grateful for your friendship. You touched my life in a way most people will never know. I love you, BIG GUY...rest easy, we've got it under control.  
Shel  
Keller/FP pal

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**Shel Barron** - September 18, 2024 at 09:10 AM

CM

“ Dearest Martha and Family (and Sierra and Bisquick), sending my love and deepest sympathy. David was such a special person in your life, he loved his family above all and was always so giving. I really enjoyed his witty sense of humor. I wish I had spent more time with him on this earth. But we know that he is now at peace with our Heavenly Father and Lord and Savior and we will see him again one day. Love and prayers, Cathy M.

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**Cathy Maxwell** - September 18, 2024 at 08:48 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of David Robert West.



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September 18, 2024 at 07:52 AM

YF

“ Your Keller / FleetPride family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Robert West.

Your Keller / FleetPride family - September 18, 2024 at 07:52 AM

MM

“ Michael Ware & mother.va.ware purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of David Robert West.



Michael Ware & mother.va.ware - September 17, 2024 at 04:09 PM

DW

“ David W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Robert West.

David W. - September 17, 2024 at 02:22 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of David Robert West.



September 17, 2024 at 02:22 PM

DS

“ From the time I met David, I thought he was a great person. He was a bold man, but very caring and full of knowledge. I’m grateful to have shared the time we did together. Wishing all his family and friends some peace during these times. 💙

David Syfert - September 17, 2024 at 10:47 AM

FJ

“ Fleetpride Annapolis Junction lit a candle in memory of David Robert West



Fleetpride Annapolis Junction - September 17, 2024 at 10:44 AM

MB

“ WISHING the family and friends strength and may his memories help get them thru this difficult time. Dave was also a Las Vegas Raiders fan, enjoyed talking to him about the ups and many downs of the team..(Not too many fans in the area.) RIP Dave



mark barter - September 17, 2024 at 08:58 AM

B2

“ B2 lit a candle in memory of David Robert West



B2 - September 17, 2024 at 08:22 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of David Robert West.*



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September 17, 2024 at 07:50 AM



“ *Your Fleet Pride Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Robert West.*

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**Your Fleet Pride Family** - September 17, 2024 at 07:50 AM



“ *Will & Glenda Kelly lit a candle in memory of David Robert West*



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**Will & Glenda Kelly** - September 16, 2024 at 08:19 PM



“ *I will always remember David Robert “ Twinkie “ West as my all time fishing buddy . Many all nighters down at the Patuxent river with a bond fire . Never caught much but we always had fun . You will be missed by many , but welcomed by many more . R.I.P. friend ....*

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**Larry Darby** - September 16, 2024 at 07:34 PM

MD

*Oh David ,so many memories . Like how you got the nickname twinkie because you always had a twinkie in one hand and chocolate milk in the other , or when mom made cinnamon rolls and she always swore you could smell them befor she got the dough rolled out ! Or when you and Richard dressed as women for Halloween and the dress and makeup were so good that my dad thought you were Sharon ! There are so many good memories and you will be surely missed .  
R.I.P my friend 💔*

**Marci Darby** - September 16, 2024 at 09:14 PM

SD

*Thanks Marci, loved reading those fun moments in David's life.*

**Sharon West Dennison** - September 18, 2024 at 05:19 PM

CA

*“ David you will be missed big buddy. I remember when we hired you in Landover, when we asked you to go to Dover to manage the Dover Store, when we moved to Candem location. You handled it all like a pro and did a great job for us.*

**Curt H Ackerman** - September 16, 2024 at 05:39 PM

CA

*“ Curt A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Robert West.*

**Curt A.** - September 16, 2024 at 05:33 PM

JC

*“ Janet Couvillon. purchased the Sweet Tendernes s for the family of David Robert West.*



**Janet Couvillon.** - September 16, 2024 at 03:48 PM