



John Ray Hodges Jr.

January 29, 1931 - August 25, 2023

John Ray Hodges, Jr., passed away peacefully, at Compass Regional Hospice Center in Centreville, MD, surrounded by his family and loved ones on August 25, 2023. He was 92 years old.

He was born on January 29, 1931, in Leaksville, NC, the son of the late John Ray Hodges and Moleta Bolick-Hodges. In addition to his parents, John was predeceased in death by his son, Charles "Chip" M. Hodges. He attended Hargrave Military Academy in Chatham, VA, and met the love of his life, Betty, while she attended George Washington High School in Alexandria, VA.

John was a truck driver for most of his life and retired with a pension from the Teamsters Local 639 union in Washington, DC. He loved to tinker, repair, and rebuild things, anything from restoring cars to rebuilding engines, firearms, electronics, and almost anything else he could bring home to work on in his garage. He also enjoyed spending time with his children and often volunteered to help with their clubs, associations, and sports teams. In his later years, he enjoyed shopping at Food Lion, eating at the local McDonald's restaurant, and walking through the neighborhood with his beloved dog "Kipper." He will be remembered for his humor and quiet disposition.

He is survived by his loving wife of 74 years, Betty Hodges; his children, John E. Hodges (Sharon), David R. Hodges (Audrey), Deborah J. Hodges-Bolino

(Brad), and Jesse M. Hodges (Pat); his sisters, Janet Ransone (Jim) and Dorothy "Dot" Mann (Harold); nine grandchildren, Kenneth, Shaundra, Tina, Anna, Tony, Nicole, Michael, Jessica, and Casey; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

Services will be held on Thursday, August 31, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Queenstown, MD. Friends and family may visit starting at 10 a.m. A funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m., and the burial will follow in St. Peter's Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to Compass Regional Hospice or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery
5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD 21658

Mass

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
Queenstown, MD

Burial

AUG 31 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - August 30, 2023 at 03:35 PM



“ *John Ray Hodges Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Charlene Costello lit a candle in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.*



Charlene Costello - September 02, 2023 at 12:57 PM



“ *Pat Mihaly-Hodges lit a candle in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.*



Pat Mihaly-Hodges - August 30, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ Terry Jarrell lit a candle in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.



Terry Jarrell - August 29, 2023 at 06:58 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Ray Hodges Jr..



August 29, 2023 at 10:18 AM



“ Love as ever, Janet purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Ray Hodges Jr..



Love as ever, Janet - August 28, 2023 at 04:07 PM



“ Love as ever, Janet planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Ray Hodges Jr..

Love as ever, Janet - August 28, 2023 at 04:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Ray Hodges Jr..*



August 28, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ *Jane Anthony lit a candle in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.*



Jane Anthony - August 26, 2023 at 07:36 PM



“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of John Ray Hodges Jr.*



Jeanette Stubbs - August 26, 2023 at 04:41 PM