



## Alvin Frederick Ritter

March 22, 1937 - October 25, 2021

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. send condolences to the family of Alvin Frederick Ritter.

Alvin Frederick Ritter, 84, of Woodstock, passed away Monday, October 25, 2021, at Blue Ridge Hospice in Winchester. The funeral service will be held Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at St. Luke Brethren Church in Woodstock. Pastors Shawn Garber and Freddie Helsley will officiate. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at Valley Funeral Service in Edinburg. The family ask that masks be worn at the visitation and service.

Mr. Ritter was born March 22, 1937, in Fredrick County, Virginia, son of the late Charles Robert Ritter Sr. and Clara Sumption Ritter. He was a 1956 graduate of Edinburg High School. He formerly worked at Safeway, Irvin Candy Co., John Manville, and Mountain View Lanes. He was a member of St. Luke Brethren Church and was well known for "Big Al's Wonderland". He was preceded in death by a son, Glen Mitchell Ritter; brother, Marvin "Bud" Sumption; sister, Beatrice George and son-in-law, Jeff Wetzel.

He is survived by his wife, Julia May Coffelt Ritter, whom he married on February 28, 1958; five children, Dale Michael Ritter and wife Cindy of Maurertown, Lorie Ann Dodson and Frank Miroballi of Woodstock, Cynthia Mae Wetzel of Woodstock, Terry Lynn Ritter and wife Lynette of Maurertown, and Brian Keith Ritter and wife BJ of Edinburg; two brothers, Charles Robert

Ritter Jr. and wife Ruth Ann of Toms Brook and Ralph Ritter of Woodstock; sister, Frances Heltzel of Edinburg; 8 grandchildren, Selena Roades, Kelsey Cline, DJ Dodson, Jennifer Dodson, Felicia Houghton, JD Wetzel, Brandon Ritter, and Collin Ritter; 17 great grandchildren, one step great grandson; godson, Tony Barb and wife Teresa of Spotsylvania and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Brian Saunders, Jack Funkhouser, Wilson Dysart, Rick Glading, Dave Offman, and Ronnie Miller.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Bubby Dysart, Roger Mathews, Benito Fierro, Harold Heishman, and Terry Grisby.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Luke Brethren Church, 3250 back Road, Woodstock, VA 22664 or Blue Ridge Hospice, 333 W. Cork Street, Suite #405, Winchester, VA 22601.

Online condolences may be left at [www.valleyfs.com](http://www.valleyfs.com)

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Homes Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Valley Funeral Service  
14116 South Middle Road  
Edinburg, VA 22824  
(540) 984-3700  
secretary.valleyfs@yahoo.com  
<https://www.valleyfs.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ Alvin Frederick Ritter

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ Alvin Frederick Ritter

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ Sorry to hear of AL's passing. May God be with all.  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard A. Pence Sr.

Richard A Pence Sr - October 27, 2021 at 08:15 PM



“ “Mr. Ritter," as he will always be respectfully known to me, raised a wonderful family alongside his loving wife, “Mrs. Ritter." I express my deepest sympathies to the entire family and countless friends. May God provide you with comfort as He welcomes Mr. Ritter into his Heavenly home.

Winnie Braithwaite Murray - October 27, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Alvins passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to Julia and the family. May he rest in peace. Joni Proper

Joni Proper - October 27, 2021 at 11:18 AM

JP

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Alvin. My thoughts and prayers go out to Julia and the family. May he rest in peace. Joni Proper

Joni Proper - October 27, 2021 at 10:46 AM

JW

“ So sorry to here about Al. I loved working with him at Manville. A great worker. Prayers with u all. Jesse Whimer



Jesse Whitmer - October 27, 2021 at 05:29 AM

MC

So sorry to hear that. Prayers for Julia and family. May God put his arms around you all.

Marie Cambell - October 27, 2021 at 04:23 PM

LC

“ Praying for peace and comfort during this difficult time. 🙏🙏🙏

Larry and Diana Crider - October 26, 2021 at 10:15 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alvin Frederick Ritter.



October 26, 2021 at 10:11 PM

KB

“ *Sorry to the loss of your dad! May God comfort each one.*



---

**Karen Burner** - October 26, 2021 at 06:03 PM



“ *I'm sorry to hear about Alvin. My deepest sympathy to Julia and all the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time.*



---

**Nancy Whittington** - October 26, 2021 at 04:29 PM