



David Lynn Hovatter

October 17, 1942 - September 29, 2021

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. send condolences to the family of David Lynn Hovatter.

David Lynn Hovatter, 78, of Mt. Jackson, Virginia passed away Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at Shenandoah Memorial Hospital in Woodstock. A Celebration of Life for Mr. Hovatter will be held at a later date.

David L. Hovatter was born October 17, 1942 in Parsons, West Virginia, son of the late Walter and Mabel Gilmore Hovatter. David is survived by his wife, Maycel Y. Haddix Hovatter whom he married on April 30, 1959; four children, Natalie Hovatter Lytton (Bobby) of Front Royal, David Lynn "Sonny" Hovatter Jr. (Joanie) of Mt. Jackson, Gregory Lee Hovatter (Tammy) of Edinburg and Teresa Yvonne Kinder (Curtis) of Woodstock; two sisters, Eleanor Ann Cox of Verona and Hester Hunt of Monticello. He was known as PawPaw Dave to his five grandchildren, Alesia (Kyle), Melanie (Ben), Kallie, Phillip, and Brayden; and two great grandchildren, Ellie and Camden and numerous nieces and nephews.

David was a lifetime farmer of Avondale Farm, Inc., and a member of the Shenandoah County Farm Bureau. David grew crops and raised livestock for over 60 years. Later in life, he also sold farm fresh eggs, enjoyed going to beef cattle sales, and talking with other farmers. David's farming legacy lives on through his family.

David was a skilled machine operator, driving tractors to operating heavy

construction equipment such as dozers and cranes and also ran a trucking company for many years. David not only was a seasoned operator, but he was also happy to take time to give advice whenever people sought his help. He also had a lot of experience in the wood and logging industry, working in that trade in West Virginia before moving to Virginia.

David was a successful businessman owning and operating several businesses over the years to diversify the farm, most recently D&M Meats, LLC in Mount Jackson, Virginia—which is continued to be run by his family. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Mt. Jackson Rescue Squad.

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

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

Tribute Wall



“ *David Lynn Hovatter*

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ *David Lynn Hovatter*

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ *A great friendly family. David will be missed by everyone.
Nancy Harris and family*

Nancy Harris - November 05, 2021 at 10:08 AM



“ *Love, Denise & Danelle purchased the Arrive in S
tyle for the family of David Lynn Hovatter.*



Love, Denise & Danelle - October 05, 2021 at 08:55 AM



“ *Prayers are with the family that God will comfort all during this time
and always.*

Chris and Candi LoPresti

Candice LoPresti - October 03, 2021 at 07:48 PM

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“ Sending prayers and condolences to the Hovatter Family. We hope that special memories will bring the family peace and comfort in the days ahead.

*God's Blessings,
John and Tessie Lam and Sons
Kim Neff French and Family*

Tessie Lam - October 03, 2021 at 12:41 PM

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“ You have our deepest sympathy. So sorry to hear of your loss. David was a dear friend to me. I enjoyed talking to him. Sending prayers to you and your family. John Good and daughter Shirley

Shirley Good - October 01, 2021 at 08:04 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of David Lynn Hovatter.



September 30, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of David Lynn Hovatter.



September 30, 2021 at 01:25 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of David Lynn Hovatter.*



September 30, 2021 at 10:23 AM