



## Robert Gene Hodge

June 2, 1947 - March 18, 2025

PETERSTOWN - Robert Gene Hodge, 77, a Vietnam veteran and resident of Peterstown West Virginia, went to be with his Lord and Savior, on Tuesday March 18, 2025. Born June 2, 1947, in Pikeville Kentucky, he was the son of the late Harry Preston Hodge and Parthella "Polly" Whitlow Hodge.

The U.S. Navy recognized Gene's honorable service in the attack squadron one seven six aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt with the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He retired from Hubbell Lighting Inc. in Christiansburg VA after 28 years working as a loader.

Mr. Hodge was a member of the Friendship Primitive Baptist Church in Beeson WV where he served as deacon. He loved to hunt, fish and spend time with family and friends. He especially loved spending time traveling and dancing with his loving wife. He always had a smile on his face and never met a stranger.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his former wife, Gale Evans Hodge; brother, Ronnie Hodge; two sisters-in law, Martha Harvey Goings, Roebertha Harvey Taylor; brother-in-law, William "Billy" Harvey and wife Elitha; and one step-great grandchild, Troy Blake Anthony Meadows.

Survivors include his wife of 22 years, Dorothy Harvey Shrewsbury Hodge; six step-children, Teresa Meadows of Elliston VA, Vicki Tachell and husband Mike of Princeton, Dreama Horton and husband Dwayne of Speedway, Timothy Shrewsbury and wife Lori of Beeson, Donnie Simonini and wife Melissa of Key West, FL and Shelli Martin and husband Kent of Roanoke VA; three sisters-in-law, Darlene Hodge of Ohio, Samantha Harvey and husband Eugene of Ghent, and Wanda Faidley of Princeton; brother-in-law, Felix Taylor of Annville, KY; two special friends, Joey Vogelsong of New Bloom, PA and Billy Gardner of Staunton, VA and many step grandchildren, step great grandchildren, other special family members and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted at 12:00 p.m. Friday April 25, 2025 at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with Reverend Charlie Bennett and Elder Tommy Pack officiating. Military Honors will be conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. Interment will follow at New Zion Cemetery at Elgood.

The family will receive friends Thursday, April 24, 2025 from 6-8 p.m. at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Cemetery Details

## New Zion Cemetery

Princeton, WV 24740

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

## Funeral Service

APR **25**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

BC

“ *Dottie I'm so very sorry and heartbroken. I've been trying to get in touch with you . Marquette just sent me the obituary. We have been watching for this and missed it. Love you very much. Give me a call when you can. Barbara 423-494-0095*

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**Barbara Childs** - April 28, 2025 at 12:23 PM

RC

“ *Dorothy, much sympathy and many prayers for you and your family during this time.*

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**Renee Stauffer Comer** - April 25, 2025 at 10:05 AM

DJ

“ *You will be missed uncle Jean every time I was around him he was always funny and making people laugh. He had a lot of energy. I'll never forget when uncle Jean Aunt Dorothy took me out to a concert and dinner and dancing, they wore me out lol you sure will be missed. I know you're in heaven making everyone laugh. !*

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**Diane Jenkins** - April 24, 2025 at 01:34 PM

MS

“ *Sorry for your loss. Rest in peace I. Hands of our LORD! Love Missy and James Stein*

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**michelle Stein** - April 24, 2025 at 01:05 PM

FS

“ *Fenton /Duncan Families —Wayne & Sharon purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert Gene Hodge.*



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**Fenton /Duncan Families —Wayne & Sharon** - April 23, 2025  
at 02:24 PM

HF

“ *Hodge Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Robert Gene Hodge.*



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**Hodge Family** - April 23, 2025 at 12:49 PM

MH

“ *Dorothy I am so sorry for your loss praying for you and the family, Gene was always one of my favorite people!*

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**Matt Harvey** - April 23, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Robert Gene Hodge, give you peace,  
comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You  
will not be forgotten...*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Navy Veteran, Robert Gene Hodge, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life  
for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - April 22, 2025 at 11:57 AM



“ *Dorothy, I am thinking about you and all the family as you grieve the  
loss of Gene. I loved the time we spent together with you and him at  
Matthew’s retirement celebration. I am hoping for peace for you and  
the presence of loving supportive family. ❤️*

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**Hope Harvey** - April 21, 2025 at 07:21 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Hodge.



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April 21, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Gene Hodge.

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April 21, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks* lit a candle in memory of Robert Gene Hodge



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**TonyanEdgar Wicks** - April 21, 2025 at 02:09 PM