



## Rex Nelson Reeder

May 11, 1936 - December 30, 2016

Rex Nelson Reeder, age 80, of Buckhannon, the Tennerton Community, died Friday, December 30, 2016, at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown. He was born on May 11, 1936, at Etna, a son of the late French and Rachel Hosaflook Reeder. On April 26, 1963, he was united in marriage to Shirley Raikes Reeder who survives. Also surviving are two daughters: Natalie Dawn Reeder and Lisa Jean Reeder, both of Buckhannon; niece Sandra Byrd Currence and husband Ken and nephew Steven Carpenter and wife Marilyn; and several other nieces, nephews, and great nieces and great nephews; and the “good child,” Sonnie Anthony. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters: Kathleen Reeder Byrd and Mildred Reeder Carpenter; and one niece Jayne Byrd Carson.

Upon graduation from high school, Rex attended both Glenville State College and West Virginia Wesleyan College. He joined the U.S. Army in 1959, serving until 1962, with most of his time spent in France, and was then briefly employed by MonPower. He began work at Corhart Refractories in 1963, working his way up to Supervisor before his retirement in 1992. Following retirement, Rex continued to farm, which he had done his whole life. His devotion to countless organizations was unwavering; he served as the Tygart Valley Soil Conservation Supervisor for Upshur County, President of the Farm Bureau, Commander of the American Legion Post 148, member of the Tennerton Lions Club, where he served in many capacities and received

multiple awards, including the Leonard Jarrett and Melvin Jones Awards, board member of Southern States, member of the Cattleman's Association, President of the Livestock Association, member of the Upshur County Farmland Preservation Board, R.C. and D, Upshur Youth Livestock Association, Wes-Mon Ty, Tennerton PSD, Chairman of the Grassland Steering Committee, Secretary and Treasurer of the Lowe Bartlett Armstrong Trust, and former member of 4-H and FFA. He attended the State Fair of West Virginia for over 58 years and thoroughly enjoyed every year. He loved travelling, and especially taking Sunday drives throughout the state. Rex had a deep love for West Virginia, was a recipient of the Golden Horseshoe Award as a youth, and was a loyal fan of the West Virginia University Mountaineers.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, January 4, 2017, from 3-8:00 PM, at the Heavner and Cutright Funeral Chapel. The funeral will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2017, at 1:00 PM, at the funeral chapel, with the Rev. Robert F. Heavner and the Rev. Gary Rapping officiating. Interment will follow in the Upshur County Memorial Park, where the Upshur County Honor Guard will conduct military honors.

# Cemetery Details

## Upshur County Memorial Park

190 Memorial Park Road  
Buckhannon, WV 26201

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 4.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel and Cremation Services  
940 Route 20 South Road  
Buckhannon, WV 26201  
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## Funeral Service

**JAN 5.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I always remember Rex throwing his hand up in the air greeting me when I would drive by his house. I also remember his smiling face and that he always had a kind word for you. I loved being his neighbor in Tennerton for several years. He will be missed. Love and prayers, Charlotte Reger Moon

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**Charlotte Reger Moon** - January 23, 2017 at 11:12 AM

MB

“ Shirley and Girls,  
Jeff and I are so sorry to hear about the passing of Rex. He always had a smile on his face and gave of his time unselfishly. He will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
God Bless and Love to all,  
Jeff and Misty Bennett

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**Misty Bennett** - January 05, 2017 at 11:16 AM

DW

“ Shirley and family I'm so sorry to hear this. He was a Wonderful Man and I Loved our camping times together. He will forever be in our hearts and remembered. Thoughts, Love and Prayers sent to you all. Love, Darlene White and children.

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**Darlene White** - January 05, 2017 at 02:06 AM

AH

“ Rex Reeder was one of the nicest men and I will miss seeing him out in the community and at farm bureau events. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Amanda Hayes** - January 04, 2017 at 10:30 PM

JH

“ *Many thoughts and prayers from the Hinkle Family. Sincerely, Dave, Ronda and Jodi Hinkle*



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**Jodi Hinkle** - January 04, 2017 at 10:23 PM

CB

“ *I am very sorry that I was unable to attend the wake and the funeral. I have always considered Rex to be a dear friend. We served on several committees together, and it was always delightful to be with him. I was also able to travel with he and his wife Shirley on several grasslands conferences. My prayers and thoughts will be with the family. I am glad that I had the opportunity to meet and know Rex.*

*Sincerely,  
Clyde Bailey*

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**Clyde Bailey** - January 04, 2017 at 07:59 PM

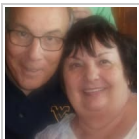
JH

“ *So sorry to hear of Rex's passing...I truly enjoyed working with him at Corhart. Thoughts and prayers for the entire family.*

*Jim Harlow*

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**Jim Harlow** - January 04, 2017 at 05:41 PM



“ *I'll miss my monthly calls. Prayers for peace for all of you. Lions Sam and Mary Ellen Biller*

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**Mary Biller** - January 04, 2017 at 04:07 PM

BZ

“ *Barbara Zickefoose lit a candle in memory of Rex Nelson Reeder*



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**barbara zickefoose** - January 04, 2017 at 01:18 PM

VW

“ *Shirley and girls,  
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of my dear friend and Lions member. Rex and you Shirley have been great friends to me and my family. May God bless you and your family at this difficult time.*  
*Vickie Walton*

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**Vickie Walton** - January 04, 2017 at 12:31 PM

BA

“ *Shirley and family, Dave and I are so sorry to learn of your loss. So many of us who have known you two "forever" are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. Take good care.*

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**Bonnie Alkire** - January 03, 2017 at 06:33 PM

JS

“ *Shirley, Natalie and Lisa. Sending our love and prayers to each of you. May you find peace and comfort in the days ahead.*

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**John and Pam Slaughter** - January 03, 2017 at 05:17 PM

BO

“ Sorry to hear of the loss of another member of the Corhart Family. RIP Rex.  
Bob & Carol Grose



Bob - January 03, 2017 at 04:30 PM

CG

“ So sorry for your loss, Natalie, Lisa and your Mama.... My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you.... Carla Shingleton Golden

Carla Shingleton Golden - January 03, 2017 at 11:11 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rex Nelson Reeder.




January 03, 2017 at 10:17 AM

JM

“ Natalie and Family - So sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one. Keeping you all in my prayers !!

Janie Miller - January 03, 2017 at 10:05 AM

 Kathryn Hasbrouck

“ Sorry for the loss of Rex, he was a very nice person. Loved the kids. Always had a smile.

Kathryn Hasbrouck - January 03, 2017 at 07:26 AM

 Lisa  
Conway  
Wilson

“ I was saddened to hear about Rex. The family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Lisa Wilson.

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**Lisa Conway Wilson** - January 03, 2017 at 05:51 AM

JC

“ Shirley, our most sincere condolences on your loss. Lion Rex was a very valuable & wonderful asset on my Cabinet when I was Governor. Prayers to you and your family. Heaven has received an awesome angel.  
Past District Governors Jim & Tina Canon

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**Jim Canon** - January 02, 2017 at 05:21 PM

HT

“ Shirley and girls, it is with a heavy heart that I heard of Rex passing. He was a good friend of my Paul when they worked at Corhart as well as being friends before. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.  
Hilda Tenney and family



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**Hilda Tenney** - January 02, 2017 at 04:20 PM

LM

“ Shirley and girls. Heaven gained a Special Angel. We are so sorry for your (our) loss. Prayers for your family. Everyone loved Rex.  
Louise and Mike

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**Louise & Mike** - January 02, 2017 at 02:01 PM

DM

“ When we were children, in the 1950's, my dad, Dixie McDaniels, used to take us to Etna to the French Reeder farm. We were welcomed with open arms, and I remember how happy and joyous the whole family was, so much family love and pride there on the farm, and for their farm and WVa! I loved going there, one of my happiest childhood memories...just wanted you to know how , and to say thank you, for being the special family that you were, always have been, and always will be...love and prayers to all, Dixie LeAnna McDaniels-Corbett, Crestview, Florida.

Dixie LeAnna McDaniels-Corbett - January 02, 2017 at 01:49 PM

JC

“ Lisa I am so sorry to hear of your dads passing you have my love and prayers love Jan

jan crites - January 02, 2017 at 01:35 PM

JO

“ Jim And Marilyn Osburn lit a candle in memory of Rex Nelson Reeder



Jim and Marilyn Osburn - January 02, 2017 at 11:33 AM

JO

Sorry to hear of Rex passing, we share in your sorrow.

Jim and Marilyn Osburn - January 02, 2017 at 11:35 AM

CK

“ Shirley, Lisa & Natalie, So sorry for your loss.  
You are in my thoughts & prayers.



Carol Kelley - January 02, 2017 at 10:12 AM

LH

“ Condolences, and prayers to the family. Leon Hanline



Leon Hanline - January 02, 2017 at 10:05 AM

HP

“ HETTIE, LOU, AND CHILDREN "THE PAIRS" purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Rex Nelson Reeder.



HETTIE, LOU, AND CHILDREN "THE PAIRS" - January 02, 2017 at 10:05 AM

LW

“ Shirley, Natalie, and Lisa, Please know we are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers. Rex was one of the best. We will always remember him fondly.  
Lemoyne Wentz, & Kerry Miller.

Lemoyne Wentz - January 02, 2017 at 06:08 AM

AC

“ Shirley and family, I am so saddened to learn of Rex's passing. Always enjoyed seeing him and talking with him at conservation meetings. You and family are in our prayers.

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**Anita Crance** - January 01, 2017 at 11:06 PM



“ A wonderful person and a dear friend will be missed by all that knew him and the many people in helped in the community. RIP Rex, I know that you have gained your heavenly home

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**Robert Silvester** - January 01, 2017 at 09:05 PM

TL

“ My sincere heartfelt condolences go out to the family. Heaven has definitely gained another angel. May God bless you and surround you with loving memories.  
Terry Beer Loudin

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**Terry Loudin** - January 01, 2017 at 08:56 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rex Nelson Reeder.



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January 01, 2017 at 08:08 PM

LA

“ *Shirley and family,  
We were saddened to hear of Rex's passing.  
Please know that you are in our thoughts and  
prayers. May the Lord give you comfort as  
you face the difficult days ahead.  
Roger and Libby Abel.*



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**Libby Abel** - January 01, 2017 at 08:00 PM

RF

“ *Rex was a great man to work with through the Upshur Youth  
Livestock Association. He volunteered many hours to making the  
organization a great success. I'm glad to be able to call such a  
giving man my friend.*

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**Ray Freeman** - January 01, 2017 at 03:28 PM