



## Mr. John Campbell Rush

April 16, 1944 - May 1, 2017

John Campbell Rush of Bluefield, WV, quietly passed away Monday, May 1, 2017 surrounded by his family. Born April 16, 1944 he was the son of the late Samuel Campbell Rush and Frances Robertson Rush.

John was a life-long member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, EPC where he served as a deacon. He was a member of the Bluefield Lions Club and served as its president for the year 1994-1995.

He was a graduate of Bluefield High School and attended Concord College. From an early age he loved anything with four wheels and an engine.

Therefore, it was not surprising he chose a career in the car business. John began working at Evans Chevrolet in the late 1960s, then worked for Cole Chevrolet-Cadillac, and retired from T&T Pontiac-Buick. Throughout his career, he received numerous awards for sales and was noted for his knowledge and expertise of the vehicles he sold and cars in general.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Rebekkah Renee Rush; an infant son, Scott Christopher Rush; his mother-in-law, Ida Dove Vermillion; brother-in-law, Hobert "Jenkie" Gundell; and sister-in-law, Lucille Vermillion Vass.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Nancy Vermillion Rush; daughters, Lori Lianne Rush of Bluefield and Allison Rush Hester and her husband, Russell, of Rincon, GA; sister, Laura J. Rush of Bluefield; and two grandchildren, Campbell Elizabeth Hester and Olivia Trinity. John is also survived by his brother-in-law, Floyd "Junior" Vermillion and his wife, Shela; Sylvia Gundell;

cousins Sarah Gott Holroyd and husband, Fred; Mary Frances Morris and husband, Darryl; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 6:00 -8:00 pm Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at Mercer Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 2:00 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church with Rev. Jonathan Rockness officiating.

Burial will follow at Monte Vista Cemetery in Green Valley. Serving as pallbearers are Ben Donevant, John Riddle, Richard Higgins, Jim Wilkinson, Tullio Ramella, and Anthony Ramella.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Bible in the Schools, St. Jude or a charity of one's choice.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of John Rush.

# Cemetery Details

## Monte Vista Park Cemetery

Bluefield, WV 24701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory  
1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701  
(304) 327-6155  
mercerc@mercercfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.mercercfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

MAY 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
2005 Washington Street  
Bluefield, WV 24701

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John Campbell Rush*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of John's passing. Many fond childhood memories up on Ridgecrest. Along with our other pal, Sandra Shumate and with Laura Jane tagging along, playing Davie Crockett in the woods, hide-and-seek (always wear your red jacket so can't be seen at night), and catching fire flies. Our special dogs, Honey and Minnie Pearl usually chasing us. Ahh, the good old days! Blessings and condolences to Nancy and family. Judy Mills*

**Judy Mills** - May 06, 2017 at 12:53 PM



*Many fond memories for sure! We were fortunate to live in the best neighborhood in Bluefield!*

**lura rush** - May 07, 2017 at 07:37 PM



“ *Dear Nancy and family, I send you my deepest sympathy at this time. I will be praying for you. Love and Prayers, Dottie Chudina*

**Dottie Chudina** - May 06, 2017 at 08:33 AM



“ *Nancy, so sorry for your lose. Am glad he didn't suffer and went peacefully to be with the Lord. Our thoughts and prayers are for you, Laura, and the rest of the family. With all our love, Chip & Georgann*

**Chip & Georgann Simmons** - May 03, 2017 at 02:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. John Campbell Rush.



May 03, 2017 at 02:05 PM



“ MaryLynn and Andy Barksdale purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. John Campbell Rush.



MaryLynn and Andy Barksdale - May 03, 2017 at 12:00 PM



“ Our sincere condolences to the Rush family. I'll never forget the many nights John and I spent running the "Bluefield Five Hundred " between the Beacon and Bluefield Drive In. Rest in peace my friend.  
Andy and Marylynn Barksdale

Andy Barksdale - May 03, 2017 at 11:10 AM



You two together were quite the duo! You were a wonderful friend to John.....he and the Rush family loved you.

laura rush - May 04, 2017 at 07:18 PM



“ Praying for you all at this time.. I know John will be missed. Leianne and Bill Harvey

Leianne Harvey - May 03, 2017 at 09:42 AM

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“ To the Rush family,  
Jenny and I want to extend our deepest condolences to your family.  
We pray that God will embrace you in His loving arms and bring His  
peace and comfort to each of you.  
Jenny and Paula Carriker

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**Paula Carriker** - May 02, 2017 at 08:56 PM

JL

“ John O. Lowe lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
John Campbell Rush



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**John O. Lowe** - May 02, 2017 at 06:49 PM

JL

*I remember John from his days at Evans along with Guy Wiley. Good  
people. Gone but not for forgotten RIP John Rush!!*

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**John O. Lowe** - May 02, 2017 at 06:51 PM