



## Richard Milton Holcomb

June 11, 1925 - September 22, 2016

Bluefield, WV- Richard Milton Holcomb, 91 of Bluefield, WV went to be with the Lord on Thursday September 22, 2016. Born June 11, 1925, he was the son of the late

Scott Dennis Holcomb and Lula White Holcomb. Richard was a lifelong resident of Bluefield and lived on Edgemont Drive for over 60 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his beloved wife of 64 years Rosaline Gray Holcomb, and beloved daughter Risa Lou Holcomb Furches.

Richard served our country and military in World War II with the United States Navy where he was a machinist. He sailed mainly on the U.S.S. Vulcan.

He served for 4 years in the Pacific Ocean, after the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the Atlantic Ocean. He was proud of his service to the nation.

He worked at and retired from Norfolk and Western Railroad that later became Norfolk and Southern where he was a brakeman. Richard was a devoted member of

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He had an incredible love for country, family, and church.

Richard is survived by his sister Margaret Callert of Freehold, NJ and two sons, Richard Milton "Rick" Holcomb, Jr. and wife Marilyn of Fort Worth, Texas, Russell Jay "Rusty" Holcomb and wife Rita of Rocky Gap, VA.

Grandsons, Rodney Holcomb of Bramwell, WV and Jared Holcomb and wife Amanda of Fort

Worth, Texas. Granddaughters Terrisa Smothers and husband Charlie of Springville, VA, Sherry Franklin of Bluefield, WV, Erin Furches of Athens, WV, Robyn

Holcomb of Fort Worth, TX. Great-grandchildren Sean Holcomb, Jonathan Jennings, Harley Jennings, Kasey Franklin, Chelsey Franklin, Logan Krauss, Gabriel

Lambert, Leah Lambert, Jaden Holcomb, Miriana Holcomb, and Lincoln Holcomb.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Sunday September 25, 2016 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

A cryptside service will be held on Monday at Roselawn Memorial Gardens Mausoleum at 2:00 p.m. with Bishop David Boone officiating. Military Honors will be provided by the Mercer County Veteran's Council.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Rodney Holcomb, Sean Holcomb, Jared Holcomb, Jonathan Jennings, Harley Jennings, Kasey Franklin, Logan Krauss, Gabriel Lambert, and Jaden Holcomb.

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 Mr. Richard Milton Holcomb.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25.** 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/>

## Graveside Service

SEP **26.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Roselawn Memorial Gardens Mausoleum  
Princeton, WV

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Milton Holcomb*

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October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Richard was a fine railway carman and served honorably as the chairman of our local chapter of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen. I enjoyed working with Richard during our years with the Norfolk and Western Railway and look back on them with fond memories. He will be missed. My condolences to his family.*

*Greg Dempsey*

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**Greg Dempsey** - September 28, 2016 at 02:25 PM



“ *So very sorry to hear of the loss of this wonderful man. One of the kindest, easy spirited, intelligent people I have ever had the privilege of knowing. So many great memories of this sweet man. Sending prayers of comfort and peace to the entire family. With love, Jennifer Dooley Farley*

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**jennifer farley** - September 26, 2016 at 01:18 PM



“ *Rusty and Ricky so sorry to hear that Mr Holcomb had passed away. Your dad and mother were great neighbors. Your dad kinda became the widows on the hill handyman. He was truly a great man and gentleman. The neighborhood sure isn't like it use to be in the good ole days that's for sure. He will be missed that's for sure. As well as your mother and Risa.*

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**Derek Bourne** - September 25, 2016 at 04:26 PM

VC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



virginia coma - September 25, 2016 at 09:30 AM

VC

*it may be long distance but you and family were always close in thoughts and prayers.  
Xo Virginia*

virginia coma - September 25, 2016 at 02:23 PM

ER


*Thanks so much Margaret!! We love, miss, an appreciate everything you have always done for us!!!! My number is 3049220621 keep in touch. Love you, Erin*

erin - September 26, 2016 at 03:26 AM

ER

*Thanks!!! We all love you all an really appreciate everything!!! Keep in touch!!! Love,Erin*

erin - September 26, 2016 at 03:31 AM

 Bobbie Graham

“ R.I.P. Mr. HOLCOMB. .. THE LORD HAS CALLED YOU HOME! ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL ANGEL TO WATCH OVER YOUR FAMILY SND FRIENDS! GIVE RISA MY LOVE!



Bobbie Graham - September 24, 2016 at 09:57 PM



“ Rodney and Rusty, I'm sorry to hear of Mr. Holcomb passing. He was a kind gentleman who loved his family and country. He's reunited with the love of his life again. May God comfort you in the days ahead.  
Love in Christ,  
Sandy Thompson

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**Sandy Thompson** - September 24, 2016 at 07:47 PM



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**Sandy Thompson** - September 24, 2016 at 07:46 PM



“ Bart and Virginia Coma and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard Milton Holcomb.



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**Bart and Virginia Coma and family** - September 24, 2016 at 05:52 PM

JC

“ Joe and Linda Callaert purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard Milton Holcomb.



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**Joe and Linda Callaert** - September 24, 2016 at 05:40 PM

MC

“ Margaret Callaert purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Richard Milton Holcomb.



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**Margaret Callaert** - September 24, 2016 at 05:33 PM