

Bernice Lyn Houchins

July 26, 1931 – October 9, 2001

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BURNICE 'Bernie' HOUCHINS

Burnice Lyn "Bernie" Houchins, 70, of 207 Caperton Lane, Speedway, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2001.

Born July 26, 1931, he was the son of the late Lawnie Lee and Grace Trusby Lilly Houchins

Mr. Houchins was a graduate of Hinton High School. He worked for the West Virginia Turnpike as a toll collector and was an engineer for N&W Railroad for 19 years and retired in 1986.

He was an Army veteran, serving from 1954 to 1956.

Mr. Houchins was a member of the Mercer County Tailgate Markets, where he was known for his Logan Giant beans and big tomatoes of which he took much pride.

He was also preceded in death by a stepdaughter, Donna Rotenbury; a half sister, Christie Jones; and a half brother, Charles Rudolph.

Survivors include his loving wife, Betty Thomas Houchins; a stepson, James Edens and his wife, Sara, of Roswell, GA.; stepdaughter, Lynn Hutchens and her husband, Dale, of San Antonio, Texas; five step grandchildren, Keith Phillip, Stephen French, William Rotenbury, John Civitello and Matthew Civitello; three sisters,

Margaret Caperton and her husband, Paul, Pipestem, Patty Butler of Bluefield, and Effie Armentrout and her husband, Jim, of Charlottesville, VA.; a brother, Benny Houchins and his wife, Mary, of Jumping Branch; a half brother, Raymond Houchins of Pipestem; and nieces and nephews, Jennifer Belcher, Melissa Dale, Christopher Houchins and Benjamin Houchins.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Friday, October 12th. at Burns-Wornal Chapel of Memorial Funeral Directory, Athens Road, Princeton with the Rev. Tommy Mounts officiating. Burial followed in Houchins Family Cemetery, Gravely Point Road near Pipestem.

Pallbearers were Joe Sexton, Jerry Burton, Johnny Vaught, Howard Albert, Harlan Wimmer and Doug Cook.

Arrangements by Memorial Funeral Directory, Princeton.