



## Robert Lee Foster

January 15, 1931 - May 11, 2020

Robert Lee Foster, Sr., 89, of Walker Chapel Ridge, Putnam County, passed away Monday, May 11, 2020 at Riverside Health and Rehabilitation Center in St Albans, WV.

Robert "Bob" Foster was born January 15th, 1931 in Belle, WV. He was the son of James F. Foster and Sarah Elizabeth Boyd Foster of Belle. He was preceded in death by his wife, Fay Romine Foster; his sisters, Nancy Ann Walker and Shirley Searls. He is survived by his sister, Doris Fix of Dunbar; his brother Ray Foster of Huntington; his sons, Robert Foster, Jr. and wife Barbara of St Albans; Stephen Foster and wife Denise of Scott Depot, Michael Foster and wife Missy of Scott Depot, Barrie Foster and wife Rebecca of Milton; his grandchildren, Robin Foster of Brisbane Australia, Julie Foster of New York City, Daniel Foster of St. Albans, Laura Priestly and husband, Chris, of Morgantown WV, Joseph Foster of Shinnston WV, Shane Foster of Scott Depot WV, Jacob Foster of Scott Depot WV, Ashley Deal and husband, Zach, of Scott Depot, Cory Foster and wife Amanda of Brunswick Ohio, Stacy Synder and husband Michael of Fraziers Bottom WV; and his great-grandchildren: Luke, Matthew, Elianna, and Isaiah Priestly, Beau and Anna Fay Deal, Lily and Owen Snyder; and many nieces and nephews.

Bob graduated from DuPont High School in 1949 where he lettered in basketball and, at 5'11", jumped center against 6'9" eventual WVU All-American Mark Workman. After high school, he began working for C&O Railroad. He was then employed by WV American Water, before taking a job with Union Carbide, working at the Tech Center and the Institute facilities for thirty-eight years, retiring as a senior draftsman.

He coached Little League baseball where he developed multiple All-star team starters, but more important to him, he helped underprivileged kids gain self-esteem and have their moment in the spotlight.

In the mid-1970's, he and Fay bought Windridge Farm in Putnam County, building a beautiful home where the Foster Family gathered as often as possible, creating countless, priceless memories.

Bob loved to play golf, go fishing and hunting, work in his gardens, raise cattle, and make

homemade ice cream for the grandkids, after attempting to charge them rent for the overnight visits at the Farm. He and Fay attended Walker Chapel Church.

He was known as a protective but gentle man, with a warm heart. He could reliably be found on his tractor taking his grandchildren for hayrides, or in his armchair reading his paper, or splitting wood for the family room fireplace. He always made it to his sons' sporting events, and his grandchildren's as well, no matter how many of them came along. Perhaps his favorite activity was enjoying a meal made by his wife, whom he adored. He will be remembered as a father, grandfather, brother, and friend. His family will sorely miss him, but they know he is now where he belongs: together again with his sweetheart, Fay, to whom he was married for almost sixty years.

We will miss his ornery laugh, but we wish him the peace and rest he so richly deserves, and we look forward to seeing him again.

There will be a memorial service at a later date. Until then, you may visit his tribute page at [ChapmanFuneralHomes.com](http://ChapmanFuneralHomes.com) to share memories and offer condolences to the family.

Anyone wishing to remember Bob with a memorial contribution may send it to the Putnam County Parks non-profit organization. Checks can be made to "Friends of the Park" with "Robert Foster Memorial" in the memo line. Send to: Putnam County Parks, 1 Valley Park Drive, Hurricane WV 25526. The donations will be used to place a memorial bench by the fishing pond.

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane is honored to serve the Foster family.

# Comments

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“ So blessed to have had the privilege of knowing Bob. The love and support from his boys was like no other. Thoughts and prayers to you all.

**Stephanie Childers** - May 16, 2020 at 02:03 PM



“ Thank Stephanie - greatly appreciated all the care and compassion you showed my Dad. And all the assistance you provided me.

**Robert Foster** - May 18, 2020 at 01:03 PM

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“ So sorry! Just loved Bob and Faye! Love and prayers!

**diane bedwell** - May 16, 2020 at 11:30 AM

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“ Words could never express the love & friendship we shared with Bob & Fay Foster for over 30 years. We met them at Walker Chapel Church where we formed a very close bond that will last through eternity! We were so blessed to be guests in their home on numerous occasions, where the favorite spot always was Fay's kitchen table. No one can describe the meals she prepared and desserts like peach cobbler! We had the opportunity to travel many places together. Our two week trip “Out West” that Bob put together was one we will never forget! There were many more to come: Orlando and Disney World, Key West, Hilton Head, Smokey Mountains, Canaan Valley, the Amish Area of both Ohio and Pennsylvania. We also spent many hours on the front porch at Windridge Farm where Bob & Fay talked for hours about their wonderful four boys, their wives, and most certain the grandchildren. No one could ever love their family more. A very special part of our friendship was serving the Lord & Worshipping Him at Walker Chapel. They were faithful servants. After Fay's departure, Bob was never the same. We can rest assure that Bob is now with his sweetheart, never to be separated again!!! Our friendship will start again just where we left off! With our love, Larry & Jackie Woody.

**Larry & Jackie Woody** - May 15, 2020 at 09:50 PM



“ Larry And Jackie - your words are so kind, so heartfelt, and so valued at this time of grief. The happiness that knowing that Daddy is in a much better place is comforting. He was not the man we knew over the last couple of years. You will never know how much Mother and Daddy treasured your friendship. And how thrilled the family was that they had such friends. Stories of your travels together and especially your Mother's sayings - were enjoyed by all around the table at family gatherings. For all the Family I say thank you for all you have meant to us. Bob & Barb and Foster Family

**Robert Foster** - May 18, 2020 at 01:15 PM

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“ Loved Bob and Faye. Faye's mother was my grandmother's sister.

**Betty Baker** - May 15, 2020 at 05:10 PM

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“ We loved Bob and Faye.they were both the kind and humble Christians.They lived their testimonies.We miss them both and are so grateful for our time with such good people.We are assured of where they are and that we will be with them again.

**Pastor Woody Willard and Barbara** - May 15, 2020 at 07:15 AM



“ A really great Man is now reunited with a really great Woman. I loved them both very much. What a great day it will be when we are all reunited in Heaven!!

**Morgan** - May 15, 2020 at 09:35 AM