



Dorsel Hodges

January 25, 1941 - October 28, 2021

Dorsel Hodges passed away peacefully at his home on October 28, 2021 with his wife Jane, his Son J.F. Hodges, and his dog Suchi by his side.

He was born in Putnam County on January 25th, 1941, the youngest son of the late Stephen Sr. and Marguerite Hodges. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother Jerrel Hodges and a sister Wilma Leslie.

In addition to his wife and son, he is also survived by his oldest brother Stephen Hodges Jr. and baby sister Wanda Gibson, along with an extensive number of amazing nephews, nieces, cousins and dear friends.

He graduated from Hurricane High School and set out into the world of real estate construction and development as a young man. In his early years he worked with the Leslie side of the family, both locally and in the western US, honing his skills as an equipment operator, homebuilder, and business man. He returned home from the west in 1959 to start Hodges Homebuilders with his brother Stephen "Jr". Following 2 successful decades of local home building and community development, Dorsel started his own company, Exclusive Home Designs, Ltd. With his wife Jane by his side. Exclusive Home Designs evolved over 30 years to create some of the most prestigious communities and residences in the Kanawha and Teays Valley areas.

Dorsel loved his family and friends and was an avid outdoors man who was fortunate enough to travel the world. He and Jane were married in Hawaii and enjoyed many trips to Europe, Mexico, Canada, South America and beyond. He loved camping, hunting and fishing with his son and nephews, and he loved spending time with children and animals at every opportunity. He was an easy light to find in any room as the children were always flocking to his side. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a Shriner at Beni Kedem Temple, and spent a lifetime giving back to their extraordinary hospital along with St. Jude and other worthy causes for children.

His heart and mind were as big and beautiful as they come and he will be missed by all.

A special heartfelt thanks to his family, friends and employees for sharing in his grateful and well lived life.

In Lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorial donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital <https://www.stjude.org/donate> and/or the Shriner's Hospital, <https://donate.lovetotherescue.org>.

Funeral service for Dorsel will be 2:00pm Sunday October 31, 2021 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane WV with Pastor Bobby Morris officiating. Burial will follow in Lower Hodges Cemetery, Hurricane WV.

The family will receive friends Saturday evening from 6:00pm until 8:00pm at the funeral home.

Anyone wishing to leave an online condolence or memory may do so on his tribute page at, www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com

Chapman Funeral Home, 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane WV 25526 is

honored to handle the Hodges family arrangements once again.

Cemetery Details

Lower Hodges Cemetery

Hurricane Creek Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

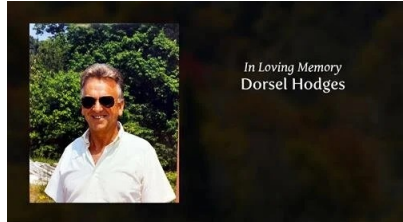
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Tribute Wall



“ Chapman Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorsel Hodges



Chapman Funeral Homes - October 31, 2021 at 11:05 AM

PS

Beautiful. Thank you to Chapman's Funeral Home. <3

Pat Milbee Shirkey - November 18, 2021 at 11:01 AM



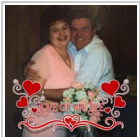
“ Dorsel Hodges

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Dorsel. He was one of the first clients of the law office I worked at many years ago. Always smiling, always cheerful. Praying for comfort for Jane and his family. Dana Walters

Dana Walters - November 07, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ He was an amazing friend to me and my father Tiney Collins he will be missed by all prayers to the family

Carolyn Ferguson-Collins - October 31, 2021 at 08:46 PM

TR

“ *My deepest sympathy to Jane and his family.*

Terri Owens Redman - October 31, 2021 at 07:36 PM

HG

“ *Dorsel was a good friend and good builder. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. My condolences and prayers to the family.*

Howard Gregory - October 31, 2021 at 04:23 PM

CM

“ *Dear Jane and JF,
I am so sad to learn of Dorsel's passing. He was one of the best people I've ever worked for. I learned a great deal from him in the years I was there. I will always remember him as a kind, caring soul. I have many fond memories of time spent working with you all. Holding you both in my heart and prayers for your comfort & strength. Jerry sends his love as well.
With heartfelt condolences,
Cathy Middleton*

Cathy Middleton - October 31, 2021 at 12:25 AM

JC

“ *Dorsel was a prince of a man. He probably had no idea of the joy he gave to so many people. May his beautiful soul rest in eternal peace.*

Jim and Betty Corsaro

Jim and Betty Corsaro - October 30, 2021 at 08:27 PM

FA

“ If you knew Dorsal you know he was always smiling and upbeat. He had a positive energy and a can do attitude. A friend for over four decades, I consider him the premier builder in Putnam County in his day. He set the bar high. I was sorry to hear of his passing. So long amigo... see you on the other side. May God bless his family and friends. Prayers.

*Frank Addington
Texas*

frank addington - October 30, 2021 at 11:54 AM

MS

“ Dorsal was a wonderfully kind and generous person who cared for everyone he knew. He will long be remembered by his friends and colleagues. Rest peacefully with the Lord, my friend.

Melinda Wolford Simon - October 30, 2021 at 08:26 AM

JU

“ You have my heart felt sympathy. Prayers for God's peace and comfort. Though it has been years, I remember our good times. Judy Umberger-Nichols.

Judith Ann Umberger-Nichols - October 29, 2021 at 09:59 PM

LC

“ Jane, I don't know if you remember me from UC but we were in Design together. I am so sorry to hear about Dorsel. You are in my prayers.

Lisa Cyrus - October 29, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ Jane, Jf I'm so very sorry about Dorsel's passing he's going to be missed by so many myself excluded he was such a special man my thoughts are with you both at this most difficult time LOVE Terry

theresa mobley - October 29, 2021 at 03:12 PM



Words cannot express what I'm feeling in my heart for you. Dorsel was a wonderful man & he will be missed by many. Sorry we cannot be with you but our thoughts & prayers are with you & JF. Love you, Larry & Linda Frazee

Linda Feazee - October 30, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ Polly Searls lit a candle in memory of Dorsel Hodges



Polly Searls - October 29, 2021 at 09:36 AM



“ Mary Payne lit a candle in memory of Dorsel Hodges



Mary Payne - October 29, 2021 at 02:18 AM