



David Lee Vitatoe, Sr.

February 28, 1960 - April 25, 2010

David Lee Vitatoe, Sr., age 50, of Wilmington, DE, walked pain free into the house of the Lord on Sunday, April 25, 2010.

Mr. Vitatoe is survived by his wife, Frances Vitatoe; sons, David Vitatoe Jr. & wife Jessica, Brandon Vitatoe; daughter, Jennifer & husband Scott Bartram; brother, Curtis; sisters, Diana Gilger & husband Bill, Sue Gullion & husband Bill; mother, Audrey Fisher & husband Bob; 3 stepsons; 2 nephews; 1 niece; 1 great-nephew; and 6 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Vitatoe.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, April 30, 2010 in the Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Road, Newark, DE 19702 from 2:30pm-3:30pm followed by a service in celebration of David's life at 3:30pm. Burial will be private. For directions and to express an online condolence, visit www.strano-feeley.com.

Strano & Feeley
FamilyFuneral Home
302-731-5459

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Im not sure how else to express my words to you dad, so I wanted to share them here. Its been 12 years now... at least it will be in a few hours. The grief of losing you hasn't really changed that much. Not as many bad days but man when they come , they are tough. A lot has happened in these 12 years daddy, a lot. You now have with you, mommom, poppop, uncle curty, aunt di, uncle bull, and the rest of us have really drifted apart to almost nothing sadly. I guess its just too hard, to painful maybe? I wish i knew.*



Tobi is all grown up, she got married this past October and has a 5 year old son! Yes sir, you are a great poppop! Brayden is also all grown up and graduated from high school 2 years ago. He works full time for Harley (man I know how much youd love that!!)! Jocelyn is in her senior year of high school and graduation is coming up quickly! She is beautiful and amazing and you would be so proud of her! Allyana is now a junior in high school. She is in NHS and also is a National Champion cheerleader and has an amazing work ethic! You also have a grand daughter that came after your passing, her name is Maddelyn. She is now 10 (almost 11) and in 5th grade! She is so amazing! She would be the one youd be able to pull the most pranks on but I promise you that she also would get you back! Life has been so different without you in it. I stay stuck in this redundant struggling circle of angst and pain and uncertainty. This heavy weight of not knowing so many things, not having the answer to my feelings, not answering the phone that night. Still wondering with all these unanswered questions. But i pray dad, i pray so hard. I talk to you, i talk to God. I miss you. Just 1 day, 1 hour, even 1 minute. That's what i need with you. I love you so much.

Jennifer Blanco-Bartram - April 24, 2022 at 11:19 PM



“ DAVID YOUR AT PEACE NOW AND DANCING A JIG WITH THOSE 2 NEW FEET, YOU MEANT ALOT TO A BUNCH OF PEOPLE AND WE ALL MISS YOU ,SPREAD YOUR WINGS AND FLY DAVID AND SOME DAY WE ALL WILL BE WITH YOU JOKING AND CARRYING ON AGAIN###imported-begin###Marie Rife-Swift###imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 11:55 AM



“ Dave I will miss you alot. when you were gonna stay down here with bill n i we had so many plans we were gonna do. Now you are walking pain free with Our Heavenly Father. You will be in my heart forever. we will never run out of stories talking about you..... I love you SIS###imported-begin###diana vitatoe###imported-end##

May 05, 2010 at 10:52 AM



“ hey bro i know my place was where i found you. so i am still keeping myself ready for any unusal things to happen..... you always like to scare the chit out of me so you make it a good one and i will be waiting. love ya brother.....###imported-begin###curtis vitatoe###imported-end##

April 30, 2010 at 10:53 AM



“ Franny I'm so so sorry for ur loss if there's anything I can do 4 u please let me know may god be with u###imported-begin###wanda greene###imported-end##

April 29, 2010 at 07:23 PM



“ dave i miss you so much / its so hard i cant stop crying. iam going to miss talking to you every. day, you will always be in my heart. it hearts ,so bad .saturday. you told me , that me and brandon. will allways .be in your ,life that me and boo ,are the best thing that .every came in to your life/ evrey time we talked. you always, told me how much we mean to you .i will never every forget you .i love you soooooo much .iam going to miss you i sleep by the phone every night and day. hoping you will call me .me and brandon will always love you. god will take care of you and you will be there with your dad, no more more pain.baby i love you dave, iam so hurt. in side.and there going to play our 3 songs that, ment so much ,to us. you get some rest now, me and brandon will, never forget you .no more pain .baby .always we love you. were going to miss you . your wife always fran and brandon/###imported-begin###fran vitatao###imported-end###

April 29, 2010 at 06:28 PM



“ Hey Dave when we meet again we will go do some deer hunting!Going to miss your pranks but remember the good times.Love ya,Billy###imported-begin###Billy###imported-end###

April 29, 2010 at 12:12 PM



“ God knows what time he wants you to visit and he sends you a message. You go. He is with God. We will be happy for your peace.###imported-begin###Diann Adams###imported-end###

April 28, 2010 at 07:15 PM



“ Dave you were my first born,my first love.I remember bathing you for the first time I washed your butt before your face!Its been very hard for me since you left us but onething I know you are in no more pain.Our family will not be the same without you.I love you 5+6 and that is awhile bunch. You will always and forever be in my heart.Goodbye for now.
Love Mom###imported-begin##Audrey(Mom) Fisher###imported-end##

April 28, 2010 at 04:29 PM



“ David, there is just so much I have to say to you.So many great memories I have of you I always enjoyed being around you,we always had fun in any situation.If I knew that when we talked Saturday night would of been the last time we talked I would of kept you on the phone forever!Lil'Nutt will always be reminded of you I will never let him forget the times you and him had together.He says Nutt is in Heaven up in the sky,your a star now Nutt!!
Bryan and Kyle are very sad they just can't beleive your gone...but you are David and the pain I can't explain the pain.They both have alot of great memories of you.Hey you could kill a deer but you couldn't gut one!LOL David I guess Friday we will have to say our goodbyes and wait till we see you again in HEAVEN! I Love you Brother always will and I will never forget you and the humor you had.Dave I am going to try and look at life like you did and live life to the fullest like you did.I love you and Rest in Peace!
Love ya 5+6
Your Lil'Sister###imported-begin##Sue Gullion###imported-end##

April 28, 2010 at 03:24 PM



“ daddy, i miss you so much. i am so sorry i did not answer the phone saturday night when you called. it hurts so bad knowing i will never hear your voice or have another opportunity to answer your call! im sorry. i miss you and i love you. Tobi Brayden and Ally will also miss their poppop!! i will always remember you and all your practical jokes. Guess i dont have to check my soda cans anymore... you were my dad my whole life and i will never feel differently about that! i love you so much. i know you are without pain now and walking around comfortably again. davey is so lost without you and it kills me that i cant help him. we still need you now and always. mom misses you and still loves you too. looking through all these pictures reminds me of so much and right now it hurts to remember. but through our pain and tears you are still helping us laugh and smile. remembering you will always make me smile. thank you for who you were to me. i will always be your beanhead!! i like that better than Bakery anyway!! you will forever be in my heart! you will always be my daddy!!!! i love you and miss you!!!
love always!!

jennifer (beanhead)##imported-begin##jennifer##imported-end##

April 28, 2010 at 11:45 AM



“ Dad, father, pop pop and best friend. I ask myself why? everyday why so soon ? I miss you so much. I miss the phone calls everyday the phone conversations the smart and funny comments that you would say. You were my support when I needed it. You would listen to me and tell me that everything will go my way. Your positive look on life always got me through. My family and I miss you but know that your are now at peace. You will always be forever in our hearts and never be forgotten. You were the best pop pop to Jocelyn and will always be. You could always make her laugh and smile. Jocelyn will always remember papa nature when it storms or rains. You will always be her #1 pop pop and she says "I love you too." and "I miss him" everyday. You were the biggest part of my life. No one can ever take your place in my life and my heart. We love you and miss you with all of our hearts. We know you are at peace and pain free and will be watching over all of us from above. We love you with all of our hearts and will never be forgotten. Love You dad and pop pop! Love Davey, Jess and Jocelyn###imported-begin##David Vitatoe Jr.###imported-end##

April 28, 2010 at 10:21 AM



“ audrey and family..im so sorry hear about david..he now with angels and flying over all of us..he now a peace..with a warm bed ,free angel wings and food in his tummy...###imported-begin##carol logan###imported-end##

April 28, 2010 at 09:53 AM



“ Dave, Daddy, Our children Davey, Jenny, our grandchildren Jocelyn, Tobi, Brayden, Allyana miss you so much! Our Love for You is never ending just as yours for us, Our hearts are shattered with the loss of you on this earth, we know your in Heaven with God and watching over us all, we still feel you here, this is not real...thats what we all keep saying, I know you didn't want to leave your family and you want to heal our pain and wipe away our tears because your love is still felt along with your presence, You are an Amazing Man, Daddy and PopPop and you will be Forever Missed and Loved!! Our life with you was not long enough but was filled with your Love, Humor, Jokes, Laughter, Fun, and most of all Loving Everyone! Memories and Your Love are what we keep in our Hearts for You, You have gone to Heaven to be at peace and pain free, that is Gods plan, help us to understand why now? In our lives you will be greatly missed and never forgotten, you will still be a daily part if only in our minds and hearts, because we still feel you here with us. Thank You Dave for loving me and giving the gift of our children from God to us and being a family, I Love You!! xoxoxo Forever Love as Always, Frani xo###imported-begin###frani###imported-end###

April 28, 2010 at 07:26 AM