



## Matthew Edwards Layne

April 26, 1947 - January 3, 2023

Matthew Edwards Layne

Of Huntington, WV, passed-away January 3, 2023 at the age of Seventy-Five years, Eight months and Eight days. He was born April 26, 1947, to the late Paul Dunbar and Norma Layne. In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by six siblings: Paul Layne Jr., Ronald Layne, Gloria Greene, Marvin Layne, Eugene Layne, and Patricia Tillet.

Matthew was a graduate of Huntington East High School, Class of May 30, 1965. He enjoyed his community of Guyandotte where he was affectionately known as the "Mayor of Guyandotte" and was proud to be a lifelong resident. He was a dedicated firefighter for twenty-seven years for the Huntington Fire Department and was also a member of the Guyandotte VFW, Post # 9738. He is survived by two sons; Geoffrey (Ashley) Layne of Huntington, WV. And Chris (Lori) Layne of Chesterfield, VA., three siblings; Harry (Brenda) Layne of South Point, OH, Betty Brown of Ashland, KY and Shirley Oden of Spartanburg, SC, five grandchildren; Christian Layne, Alexander Layne, Berkleigh Layne, Alexis Layne, Darian Layne and one great granddaughter; Alayna Kellum.

A Home-Going Service will be conducted 1:00 P.M., Friday, January 13, 2023 at Ferrell-Chambers Funeral Home, Huntington, WV with Bishop Samuel Moore officiating. Visitation will be 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M., Friday, January 13, 2023 at Ferrell-Chambers Funeral Home, Huntington, WV. Military Honors will be conducted by the American Legion Post 9738. The Huntington Fire

Department will also provide Honors for Matthew's twenty-seven years of service. Online condolences can be expressed to the family at [www.ferrell-chambersfuneralhome.com](http://www.ferrell-chambersfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Ferrell-Chambers Funeral Home  
924 20th Street  
Huntington, WV 25703

## Service

JAN 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Matthew Edwards Layne*

October 08, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ *Uncle Matthew will be missed, but his memories cherished. My love is sent out to his sons (my cousins Chris & Geoffrey & their families) and the Layne Family. I'm saddened I couldn't make it back in, but I'm sending prayers of comfort. Love you all Chevella*

**Chevella Layne** - January 13, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ *Tara McKinney lit a candle in memory of Matthew Edwards Layne*



**Tara McKinney** - January 13, 2023 at 03:31 AM



“ *Chris, Geoff and the Layne family, Please accept our condolences on the passing of Uncle Matthew. Sorry, we couldn't be there but know you are in our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time. Love you. Noah and Tara*

**Tara McKinney** - January 13, 2023 at 03:30 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Matthew Edwards Layne.*



January 11, 2023 at 02:18 PM



“ *May the love and grace of God comfort you during your time of need. My deepest sympathy and wishing the Layne family peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow.*

**Bill Stallings** - January 11, 2023 at 01:53 PM



“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Matt. Trusting that God will comfort and strengthen you in this loss as only he can. My friendship with Matt goes way back and even though we hadn't seen each other in years, our friendship remains. Thanks for the memories, Matt, you're at rest now, my friend ❤️🙏*

**Marsha Crawford (Cecil)** - January 11, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss Prayers for you and your family I had the pleasure of knowing Matt all my life, he always called me blondie and he loved my mom's pumpkin pies every holiday my mom Dreama would take him a plate. He was such a great man.*



**Charolette** - January 07, 2023 at 11:24 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of Matthew Edwards Layne, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Veteran, Matthew Edwards Layne, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - January 07, 2023 at 04:03 AM

AC

“ *Great man RIP Matthew*

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**Atonya Cremeans** - January 06, 2023 at 08:24 PM

MW

“ *I'm so sad to hear of Matthew's passing. I've known him my entire life. He was such a great person who always had a smile. My thoughts and prayers are with his family & friends. Rest in Peace Matthew.*



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**Misty Meehling Workman** - January 06, 2023 at 11:00 AM

MK

“ I worked with Matt for several years at VFW 9738 in Guyandotte. He was a great guy. He'll be missed by many. Prayers for the family. Marsha Kimball, Sebring, Florida



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**Marsha Kimball** - January 06, 2023 at 10:27 AM

BD

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Matthew's passing, and I am wishing comfort and peace to his family. Matt and I became good friends when we were members of the track and cross country teams at Huntington East High School. He was one of the nicest people I ever knew. Matt was an outstanding runner -- the best distance runner in the state when we were in high school -- and an even better friend. Brian Detrick, Wading River, New Jersey

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**Brian Detrick** - January 06, 2023 at 09:23 AM

JM

No matter how long I was living out of town Matthew always had a smile and talk to me. I saw him recently his face lite up when he recognized who I was. Even got a hug from him. Went to school with Matthew. Always a friend. Rest in peace friend. Will miss you Janice Murdock

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**Janice Murdock** - January 06, 2023 at 11:33 AM

TH

“ The Hydes purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Matthew Edwards Layne.



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**The Hydes** - January 06, 2023 at 08:54 AM

BG

“ Sincere sympathies on the the passing of a member of the HEHS Class of '65.

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**Billie Graybeal** - January 05, 2023 at 04:12 PM

BJ

May God send comfort to his family. Matthew is well deserving of the accolades and respect due him from his friends and community. Leaving behind a fine family. May God bless and comfort them during this sad time. Bob & Linda

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**bob &Linda Jack** - January 05, 2023 at 10:48 PM

VL

Rest in peace. I remember Matthew from our days in high school as being a great track star running the mile. He will be missed.

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**Velma layne** - January 07, 2023 at 09:45 AM