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**Joshua R Mock, 34**  
**(1990 – 2025)**  
*Quintana Capital Group GP, Ltd.*

Mock, Joshua, 34, Windber, tragically passed away after an accident when he was pinned between the mobile bridge carrier and the coal rib on January 10, 2025. Born March 29, 1990 in Altoona. Son of Sherry (Mock) and James Dayton.

Preceded in death by maternal great grandparents, Avery Mock, 1st wife Isabel Logue, 2nd wife Leona Lugar; Teresa Walling, 1st husband Edwin Gleissner, 2nd husband John Walling; paternal grandmother, Delores Dayton; maternal uncle, Daniel Mock; also, by infant brother-in-law, Issac Hunter.

Survived by loving parents; loving wife, Kaitlyn Jo (Hunter) and children, Isabella Mattis and Beau Mock; brother, Andrew Mock; sister, Laikyn Dayton; maternal grandparents, Perry and Gloria Mock; uncle, Brian (Emily) Mock; cousins, Avery Mock, Shannon (Kristy) Mock, Danielle (Brian) Bachorz, Chris (Donna) Mock, Jessica Yeager, Allison Dayton, Brittany (Jesse) Spory, and many many more; mother and father in laws, Dorothy and Brian Bowser; Derek and Melissa Hunter; sister in laws, April Boyer (Jake Hall), Ashlee Boyer (Jay Perry), Megan Wahl, and Taylor Wahl; grandparent in laws, Debbie and Irv Hunter; great grandma in law, Jan Seese; aunt, Kelly (Jason) Ott; nieces, Jolynn and Jaden; also by nephew, Jacob.

Joshua is leaving behind an incredible village of friends that were also his family. Friends that stuck through the good, bad and illegal. He is also leaving behind his beloved pets Oscar, Edgar, Blake and reuniting with Smokey and Sadie. Josh was a kind, loving soul who lived life to the fullest, worked hard and played just as hard. He was a loving dedicated dad to Beau and Bella, loved his wife with his whole heart and soul, and was a proud family man. He never took an easy job which included landscaping, asphalt paving, truck driving, fracking, coal mining, and was so proud to be a blue-collar man. He always said dirty hands, clean money. He was an avid Steelers and Penguins fan, he loved being outdoors ripping in his side by side, and he never turned down a cold miller lite. To his wife's dismay, his favorite holiday was Christmas and as soon as the turkey was eaten, the tree went up. He spent plenty of nights playing xbox with friends. Kaitlyn and Josh promised each other that they'd love each other in this lifetime and find each other in the next one.



**Billy Shawn "Latino" Stalker, 46  
(1978 – 2025)**  
*Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.*

Billy Shawn "Latino" Stalker, 46 of Elkhorn City, KY passed away on February 28, 2025 in Whitesville, WV, when a portion of rib rock fell on him. Billy was a coal miner. He was born April 27, 1978 in Pikeville, KY to Sadie Adams Stalker and late Billy Clayton Stalker. In addition to his father, Billy was preceded in death by a brother, James Clayton Stalker.

Besides his mother, Billy is survived by his wife, Bridgett Ann Adkins Stalker of Elkhorn City, KY; sons, Austin Dale Moore and Jackson Tyler Adkins both of Elkhorn City, KY, Nicholas Shawn Stalker of Pikeville, KY, Matthew Clayton Stalker and Logan Ryan Stalker both of Atwater, OH, and Clayton James Stalker of Ashcamp, KY; one daughter, Bailee Annison Stalker of Elkhorn City, KY; and two granddaughters, Maci Leeann Moore and AnnaBella Rose Stalker. He is also survived by one sister, Tammy O'Quinn of Mechanicsburg, OH.





## Joseph "Joey" Dane Mitchell, 25 (2000 – 2025) *Alliance Resource Partners, LP*

Joseph "Joey" Dane Mitchell, 25, of Kingwood, WV, passed away on November 6, 2025, as the result of a tragic mining accident.

Born on October 23, 2000, in Morgantown, Joey was the beloved son of Joseph Leroy Mitchell (Bobbi) of Kingwood and Stephanie Dawson.

A 2020 graduate of Preston High School, Joey worked as a scoop operator at Mettiki F Mines in Tucker County. He was proud of his work, a dedicated worker who wasn't afraid to get his hands dirty, and a true friend to those who labored beside him.

Joey had a deep love for building derby cars and could often be found in the garage, covered in grease and grinning from ear to ear, working on his next project. He lived for the thrill of demolition derbies, where his determination and excitement shone brightest. Joey also loved football and basketball, whether he was playing, watching, or just talking about the next big game.

Those who knew Joey will never forget his quick wit, goofy sense of humor, and infectious laugh. He had a gift for making people smile — even on their hardest days — and his

presence could light up any room.

In addition to his parents, Joey is survived by his brother, Zachary Mitchell, at home; his grandmothers, Barbara Myers of Morgantown, and Shirley Petitt of South Dakota; his girlfriend, Madison Murray, who brought so much joy to his life; his uncles and aunts, Tyler Wagner (Lisa) of Newburg, Adrienne Goodwin of Terra Alta; his best friend, Bryson Valentine; close cousins, Krista Pingley (Daniel), Garrett Goodwin, Ethan Wagner, Bryson Wagner, Payton Wagner, and Ashlynn Wagner; and many additional family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Gary and Patty Mitchell, who surely welcomed him with open arms.

Joey's life was full of laughter, hard work, and love — and though his time here was far too short, the memories he created will live forever in the hearts of all who knew him.



**Robert Martin White, 63**  
**(1962 – 2025)**  
*Coronado Coal, LLC*

Robert Martin White Jr., of Dingess, WV passed away on December 18, 2025, at the age of 63, after he was pinned between a tractor and the steel arch support wall. Born December 4, 1962, the son of the late Robert Martin White Sr. and Tilda Dempsey White. Robert dedicated 45 years of his life as a coal miner. During his career he worked for many companies, he spent much of his career with Excel and Coronado.

Robert was happily married to Tresa Gail White for 42 years. He was a member of the Fellowship Riders, and he found joy in motorcycles, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family. His girls and grandchildren were his world. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Bruce White, and sister Rosie White, Mother and Father-in-law Wallace and Jean Meade, and Sister-in-law Revina Newsome.

Those left to cherish his memory include his loving wife, Tresa of Dingess, Wv; daughters, Jessika (Josh) Powers of Fort Gay, Wv, Andrea (Sam) Long of Lexington, Ky, and Victoria (Doug) Kirk of Belfry, Ky; and grandchildren, Jodah, Jensen, Jolie, Reece,

and August. He is also survived by sisters; Barbara Todd, Charlene Mullins, and Ashley Townsend, Patty Murphy, Debby Brewer, special brother-in-law's and sister in law's, he leaves behind a host of nieces and nephews.





## Steven Allen Fields, 55 (1969 – 2025) *Lexington Coal Company, LLC*

Steven Allen Fields, born on August 13, 1969, in Logan, West Virginia, passed away on January 29, 2025, when rock fell from a highwall and struck the cab of the drill he was operating.

Steven was a devoted husband to Tammy (Baxter) Fields and a loving father to his sons Justin Baxter and Paul Fields, and his stepdaughter Anna Browning. He found immense joy in being “Papaw” to his cherished grandchildren Dominic Baxter, Gracie Fields, and Éloïse Christiaen-Browning, and was over the moon about the impending arrival of another granddaughter, Stephanie Fields (named in his honor).

He was the beloved son of Brenda Smith Fields and Robert “Bob” (Debbie) Fields Sr., and a caring brother to Angela “Angee” Fields and Melissa “Missy” Fields (his lifelong friend Mike George), as well as his step-sister Brandie (Ralph) Davis-Perry. He held a special place in his heart for his nieces and nephews — Salena (Brandon) Robinette, Molly Runyon (Rob Ballentine), Robert “Bobby” Fields III, and Derek Fields — and his great-niece and great-nephew, Brayden Robinette and Sydni Ballentine. He also cherished his Aunt Merry Smith and his cousins Dale and Emma Smith, along with many other dear

cousins, aunts, uncles, coworkers, and friends.

Steven was preceded in death by his brother Robert Fields Jr., nephew Kyle Scott Fields, uncle Darrell Smith, maternal grandfather Ballard Smith, and paternal grandparents Mearle Fields and Molly (Spaulding) Fields.

A hardworking man with an unwavering work ethic, Steven dedicated his career to operating heavy machinery in the coal mining industry. His steadfastness at work mirrored the commitment he brought to all aspects of his life.

Those who knew Steven will remember him as a husband, father, papaw, son, brother, uncle, and friend — a man who deeply valued family above all else. His warmth and sense of humor left a lasting impression on everyone fortunate enough to know him. Steven’s memory will live on through the love he shared with family and friends.



## Edward J Blomquist, 73 (1951 – 2025) *Charles C Ungurean*

Edward Blomquist, a 73-year-old passed away on February 12, 2025, when the ground beneath the drill he was positioning failed, causing the drill to fall off the highwall.

Born on December 5, 1951, in Minneapolis, MN, Ed lived a life full of service, dedication, and passion for the things he loved. Ed began his career at IBM, where he contributed his skills and expertise before answering the call to serve his country. He proudly served in the United States Army, where he was stationed at Walter Reed Medical Center. His dedication to excellence and service defined both his professional and military careers. Beyond his work, Ed was an avid sports enthusiast, always cheering for the Minnesota Vikings and Twins with unwavering loyalty. His love for baseball and the friendships he built along the way brought him great joy.

Ed was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Marie and Lawrence Blomquist, as well as his twin brother, John Blomquist. He is survived by his devoted siblings: Janet Condon of Minneapolis, MN; Gary Blomquist of Austin, TX; and Joyce Hanson (spouse Gary) of Brick, NJ. He is also survived by

his children, David Blomquist of St. Clairsville, OH, and Molly Blomquist of Panama City Beach, FL.

Ed will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. His kindness, sense of humor, and unwavering loyalty will never be forgotten.





**Eric Alan Corbet Bartram, 41**  
**(1983 – 2025)**  
*Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.*

Eric Alan Corbet Bartram, 41, of Chapmanville, WV, died on August 26, 2025, from a fatal accident at his worksite at Marfork Preparation Plant in Raleigh County, WV.

He was born August 27, 1983, at Charleston, WV, the son of Bill and Sharon Christian of Chapmanville, WV, and Ron Bartram of Charleston, WV.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Garnet Jarrells and Robert Adkins; and his paternal grandparents, Milton and Eloise Bartram.

Mr. Bartram was employed with Alpha Metallurgical Resources. He attended the West Logan Church. He was a 2001 graduate of Chapmanville High School where he was a 3-sport athlete, playing football, baseball, and basketball. After graduation, he continued his education and sports career at Concord University as a football player. Eric was inducted into the Chapmanville High School Hall of Fame in 2018.

Eric was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite mason and a member of the Aracoma Lodge #99 A.F. & A.M. in Logan, WV. He was also a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite

Mason's Valley of Logan and Charleston, the Logan 41 Royal Arch Masons, the Logan Commandery 26 Knight Templar both in Logan, the Royal Order of Jesters Court 111 in Charleston, and he was a proud noble of the Beni Kedem Shrine Temple in Charleston where he was serving on the Divan. Eric was also a faithful and dedicated member of the Logan Shrine Club where he served as secretary for several years. He was also a member of the Sons of the American Legion Post 19 in Logan.

Aside from his accolades and accomplishments, Eric cherished the time he spent with his family and coaching his daughter in softball.

In addition to his parents, Eric is survived by his wife, Lori Mullins Bartram; his children, Brooklyn Bartram, Jonah Perry, and Jozi Perry; one brother, Bill (Melissa) Christian; and Brooklyn's mother, Tina Bartram all of Chapmanville, WV. Additionally, Eric leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and countless friends.



## Steven Matthew Lipscomb, 42 (1982 – 2025) *Alpha Metallurgical Resources, Inc.*

Steven Matthew Lipscomb, 42, of Elkview, West Virginia, departed this life on November 13, 2025. He left this world the way he lived his life, putting others first.

Steve, as he was affectionately known, was born November 28, 1982, in Charleston, West Virginia and was a lifelong resident of Elkview. He graduated from Herbert Hoover High School, class of 2001, where he was a member of the football & wrestling teams.

When America came under siege on September 11, 2001, Steve, along with lifelong friend, Larry Conn, Jr., proudly enlisted in the United States Marine Corps as Rifleman. He was among the first wave of Marines to enter Fallujah, Iraq, as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Steve served with honor and distinction. He was a decorated Marine and was awarded a Purple Heart for his heroic actions after being severely injured by a roadside bomb while serving in Iraq. He spent an extensive amount of time recovering abroad, later returned to the United States for further recuperation and returned to his beloved West Virginia.

Lance Corporal Steven Lipscomb was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps and along with his Purple Heart medal other military awards and citations include, Combat Action Ribbon, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Navy Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Rifle Marksman Badge, and Pistol Marksman Badge.

After returning home from serving his country, Steve found the love of his life, Heather Archer. The two were soon married, and together they built a beautiful life filled with devotion and love. Steve's greatest joy came from raising their two daughters, Greer and Stella.

His heart was his family and nothing brought more joy than spending time with them. He loved entertaining them with his crazy antics, having family vacations to the beach, and watching the pelicans as they went about their daily activities.

Steve accepted Jesus as his Savior at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church's Judgment House in October 2006, was later baptized, and faithfully served as an usher for the church.

He began his underground mining career in 2006 with Massey Energy (Alpha Natural Resources) where he worked alongside his brother, Joseph, for several years. Steve built a distinguished career and earned the deep respect of his fellow miners, working his way up to become a foreman in 2015 and an EMTM in 2016, a specialized training that allowed him to provide emergency medical care within the high-risk environment of underground mining. In these roles, he put his life on the line multiple times in heroic efforts to help save the lives of others.

He approached every aspect of his life with exceptional character; loving and protective of his family, always putting others first, and showing deep devotion in his love of his country and for God. He carried himself with unwavering humility in all that he did.

Along with his wife, Heather, of 20 years and their children Greer and Stella, those left to cherish Steve's memory include brother, Joseph (Kelly), sister, Marie (Dana), grandmother, "Mimi" Tanner, mother, Meleea Dean, father, Joe Lipscomb, mother-in-law, Cindy Archer, sister-in-law, Amber (Terry) as well as many beloved aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and a host of friends. Steve was preceded in death by his stepfather, Charlie Hodges, whom he considered, Dad and his father-in-law, John Archer, Jr.

Steve left this world a hero, but to those who knew him, he was a hero every day, living his life Semper Fi Marine.