



Drury Ramsey

September 18, 1946 - November 10, 2023

Drury Ramsey, age 77, of Newport, gained his checkered flag November 10th, 2023 due to complications of surgery. He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Ruby Ramsey and stepson, Daniel R. Tracy.

He was known as a kind and loving man that was always doing various good deeds throughout the community. Mr. Ramsey's hobbies included a lifetime of racing, recycling, and collecting vintage cars. In the early 70's he left Newport, TN to Detroit, MI to make a living. He met his wife Linda R. Ramsey of 48 years while he resided there.

Drew and Linda raised 5 children. While in Detroit, MI he raced figure eight on numerous speedways and won a total of 38 track championships, in which he was very proud of. He moved back to Newport, TN in 1983, after purchasing the track in 1980. Drew owner of Newport Raceway, Newport Raceway Auto Parts and Towing he was promoter of the speedway for 16 years. He was a rollback driver for city, county, and Tennessee Highway Patrol. He remained owner and operator of Newport Raceway and Newport Raceway Auto Parts and Towing until his death.

He is survived by his loving wife, Linda Ramsey. His children Clara Gaskins, James Drew Ramsey (Ina Manning), Patricia Williams (Jimmy Williams), David (Jugger) Ramsey (Theresa Ramsey), Dawn Gyorki, and Darlene Surret

(Ed Surrett). Several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He will be missed dearly by his family and friends. We would like to show appreciation to Smoky Mtn. Home Health for their Home Health Service along with Cocke County Fire Department, Sheriff Department and the Ambulance Service.

A Memorial Service will be held with Pastor, John Walton on November 25th, 2023 at Manes Funeral Home. Friends will be received from 1pm-3pm and services will follow at 3pm.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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<https://www.manesfuneralhome.com/index.cfm>

Memorial service

NOV **25**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821

Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Drury Ramsey*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - November 16, 2023 at 02:47 PM

LK

Beautiful pictures! Great memories! Sending love hugs and prayers for all of you. Truly sorry for such a huge loss...

lisa kukfisz - November 16, 2023 at 06:18 PM

CE

Wonderful photos and memories! Sending much love and prayers to the whole family. I'm so very sorry for your loss.

Chris Ely - November 17, 2023 at 11:08 AM

E(

*Beautiful Pictures, Wonderful memories. Drew and Linda was so kind thoughtful to everyone Friends & Family. So sorry for such a huge loss.Love Ya
Betty Tucker November 20*

Elizabeth Tucker (Betty) - November 20, 2023 at 09:03 AM

BW

Drew Ramsey was a good man he will be missed dearly . Blaine Williams and Eddie Williams.

Blaine Edward Williams - November 24, 2023 at 07:23 PM

BW

Drew Ramsey was a good man and will be missed dearly. Blaine Williams and Eddie Williams

Blaine Edward Williams - November 24, 2023 at 07:34 PM

EM

Drew Ramsey was a good man and will be missed bye mean people dearly Evert moore/gizzy

Evert moore/GizzyMoore - November 27, 2023 at 04:55 AM

JN

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. My son and I came to Newport to find a project car years ago, I met Drew and instantly liked him he took us up to see his old ford and we got a grand tour love people like Drew, no smoke and mirrors he was himself takehim or leave. The south has lost a truly valuable treasure 🥹*

Jack nunley - March 02, 2025 at 10:24 PM

SP

“ *Sorry for your loss Sherry Price*



Sherry Price - November 25, 2023 at 08:49 PM

DP

“ *We are sorry for your loss Linda and Family our prayers are with you all. Drew was a good man and I'm honored to know him. R.I.P. and wave that Flag for all of your loved ones you left behind.... 🙏🙏❤️❤️*

..Betty, Norman, Darlene and Taylor Parrott... Judy and Randy Ivey.



Darlene and Norman Parrott - November 25, 2023 at 08:16 PM

LF

“ Sending our thoughts and prayers for your family. We love you all. Love, Stanley and Gladys Sutton, Buck and Lisa Gregg, Sean Creamer, Summer Creamer, Aulden and Lori Fleming.



Lori Fleming - November 25, 2023 at 02:12 PM

DW

“ Mom & I are saddened over Drury's passing. Linda & family in our thoughts and prayers.

Debbie Williams - November 24, 2023 at 08:35 PM

CA

“ I love you pap you'll be missed give that track in heaven some hel!❤️☐-Caroline



Caroline - November 23, 2023 at 10:10 PM

DE

“ Love and prayers to the family



Dewey and Paula Evans - November 21, 2023 at 09:23 PM

SB

“ a good man . sorry for the family's loss
Larue and Sharon Ball

sharon ball - November 20, 2023 at 01:48 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - November 17, 2023 at 01:49 PM



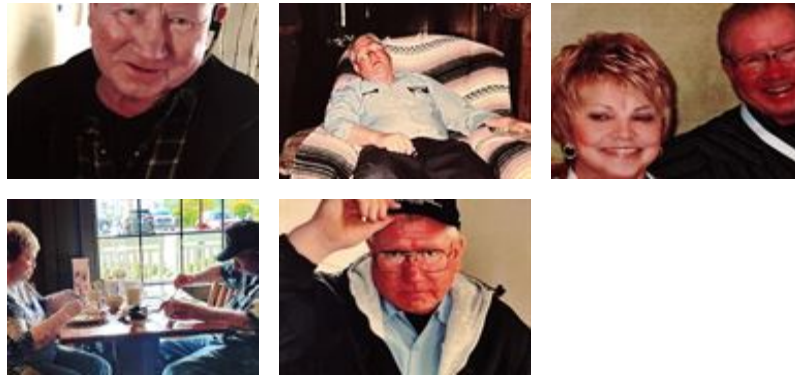
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Drury Ramsey.



November 17, 2023 at 08:53 AM



“ 59 files added to the album Life Tributes



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - November 16, 2023 at 02:41 PM

PA

“ *I have fond memories of Drew and Linda as a child and I'm very sorry for your loss prayers for all of you, (Sissy) Paulette ,Cheyenne,Cherokee Gibson*

Paulette - November 15, 2023 at 06:56 PM

KH

“ *Prayin for you all. Sorry for your loss 🙏*



kim hixson - November 15, 2023 at 03:39 PM

CR

“ *So sorry for your loss RIP Drury your work here on earth is done*



Cookie Ramsey - November 15, 2023 at 12:29 PM

BP

“ *For many years I would call on him when I was in need of his towing service. He was always friendly and most affordable. He was a ole country boy who understood peoples struggles and was always considerate. He will be sadly missed by many.*

Bill Potts - November 15, 2023 at 09:53 AM

DE

“ *Darlene, Ed and Family Our deepest condolences for your loss. Our prayers are with you all and the rest of the family.*

Joe & Darlene Evans



Darlene Evans - November 15, 2023 at 09:37 AM

RW

“ *One of a kind.. there are no words sufficient enough... we loved him so much! Daddy admired him so much...we are going to miss him.. we love you Linda and family ,Ruthie ,Jennifer, and Elaine*

Ruthie West - November 15, 2023 at 08:53 AM

JB

“ *Jack and I would like to send you our deepest condolences. Prayers for the family.*



Jack & Sabrina Busler - November 14, 2023 at 11:56 PM

CF

“ *Oh Mrs. Linda, I am so sorry about Drew. Sending so much love to your family.*

Casey Cutshaw Flenniken - November 14, 2023 at 10:28 PM

DP

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Drew was always so good to us.*

David and Sandie Popiel - November 14, 2023 at 07:40 PM

CH

“ *My condolences to all in the family and he will be missed but never forgotten*

CarolynHarrisStewart and Family



Carolyn Harris-Stewart - November 14, 2023 at 06:42 PM

TS

“ *I can't even think of the number of cars that he has helped me get the parts, for he will be sadly missed. We're praying for all the family.*

Tom Shehee - November 14, 2023 at 04:03 PM

WW

“ *I am sorry for your loss.*

Wilms(Billy) Webb - November 14, 2023 at 01:18 PM

AO

“ *Linda & Family I am so sadden to hear about Drury passing. I will miss hearing him on swap & shop seem like always giving the puppies away. Linda please know you all are in my thoughts & prayers.*



audrey owenby - November 14, 2023 at 12:33 PM

MC

“ Linda and family, our deepest condolences for your loss. May God bring peace and comfort for your broken hearts. Prayers for family and friends!

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman

Mary Ann Chrisman - November 14, 2023 at 12:14 PM

SO

“ Linda, I am so sorry to hear about Drew. I know your heart is broken. My prayers are with you and your family. God be with you and give you comfort during the days ahead. Linda, I'm so sorry my friend. 💔 Drew will sure be missed.



Susie O'Dell - November 14, 2023 at 11:21 AM

IT

“ Linda, I am so sorry to hear of Drury passing My Love and prayers to you and the family

Ailor and Imogene Turner

Imogene Turner - November 14, 2023 at 10:52 AM



DM

“ Prayers for all the family



DM - November 14, 2023 at 10:22 AM

GA

“ *My sincere condolences 🙏*

Glenda Willis Allen - November 14, 2023 at 10:07 AM

JS

“ *Drury and Linda are amazing friends - always so loving and kind to our family. Drury will truly be missed. Prayers for the days ahead. We Love you. Tim Strange, Janet Strange and Logan Moss*



JANET STRANGE - November 14, 2023 at 09:35 AM

AS

“ *Angela Styles lit a candle in memory of Drury Ramsey*



Angela Styles - November 14, 2023 at 09:14 AM

ST

“ *Sorry to the family for your loss.*

Steven and Loretta Taylor - November 14, 2023 at 09:09 AM

MC

“ *So sorry for your loss. Praying for the family.*

*Melissa Cagle
Howard Phillips*



Melissa Cagle - November 14, 2023 at 08:18 AM

JB

“ *Drury was a great friend to my family. He is missed. On behalf of Luke, Meredith and I, we offer our deepest condolences! I just believe that Drury and Danny are working on a race car in heaven.*

John A. Bell - November 13, 2023 at 07:08 PM

HP

“ *Hazel P. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Drury Ramsey.*



Hazel P. - November 13, 2023 at 04:25 PM

HP

“ *Hazel P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Drury Ramsey.*

Hazel P. - November 13, 2023 at 04:25 PM

CA

“ *You'll be missed very much pap give that track in Heaven some hell I love you very much*

carolin - November 13, 2023 at 01:33 PM

WO

“ *Prayers for the family. He was a good man who will be missed dearly. Deepest condolences, Jerod & Wendy Ottinger*



Wendy Ottinger - November 13, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Prayers for your loss.

Pat N Patricia Taylor - November 13, 2023 at 12:22 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Linda. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family..

Carroll and Marilyn Austin - November 13, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ Brenda cook lit a candle in memory of Drury Ramsey



Brenda cook - November 13, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ So sorry for ur loss! Drury wil be missed by many! Sending Prayers and Hugs to all of u! I Love u! Jackie Raines! 🙏❤️🙏



Jackie Sue RAINES - November 13, 2023 at 11:28 AM