



Ernest Anderson Lunsford

March 8, 1934 - January 5, 2015

Ernest Anderson 'Ernie' Lunsford, age 80, died unexpectedly at his home early Monday morning, January 5, 2015. He was born March 8, 1934 in Del Rio, (Cocke County, TN), a son of Ance and Ethel (Carlisle) Lunsford. In his youth, he attended area public schools, including Midway and Harmony Grove. As a young man, he enlisted in the United States Army in 1953 and proudly served his country for three years before his discharge in December of 1956. After basic training, he was sent to Germany first and then to Austria as part of the last United States occupational forces from World War II. While he was away in service, his parents moved to Michigan and upon his return to the United States, he joined them in Detroit. He soon met his future wife, Marjorie Newton, through her sister who had married his first cousin. The two married July 13, 1957 and became the parents of one son and two daughters. He was a truck driver for over 40 years and worked for different companies. In 1975, the family returned to his native Cocke County. After working for Bennington Pine for a time, he began driving for Bush's and worked there until his retirement in 1993.

As long as his health permitted, he devoted himself to helping his children and grandchildren in their many projects. He especially enjoyed attending the annual Veterans Day programs at Cosby Elementary School where he was a special guest of his grandchildren. He loved bluegrass and gospel music and also enjoyed working on his farm in Claiborne County. He was a member of First United Methodist Church and of the VFW. In addition to his parents, he

was preceded in death by his brother Lee Vernon Lunsford, brother-in-law Warner Payne, and sister-in-law Sue Lunsford. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Marjorie Lunsford of Newport; son and daughter-in-law Ernest Anderson 'Ernie' (Pam) Lunsford and daughter and son-in-law Gail (Dan) Burchette, all of Newport; daughter and son-in-law Liz (Manney) Moore, of Cosby; six grandchildren: Jenny (Steven) Hunt of Jonesborough, Ernest A. 'Trey' (Heather) Lunsford, III, of Memphis; Caitlin Carlisle Burchette and Andy Burchette, both of Newport; and Maggey and Manney Moore of Cosby; and one great-grandchild, Azaleigh Hunt of Jonesborough. Additional survivors include his sisters and brothers-in-law Edna (W. C.) Vinson and Audrey (Luther) Woody, all of Newport; brother, Clenton Lunsford of Northville, Michigan; and sister and brother-in-law Marilyn (J. R.) McClelland of Ethel, Louisiana; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins, and a host of friends. The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 pm on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at First United Methodist Church of Newport with funeral services at 1:00 pm. Church pastor the Rev. Dr. James Bennington will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to St. Jude Hospital, Memphis, TN. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Manes Funeral Home in charge

Tribute Wall



“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy, Todd, Tammy and Austin Binkley

Tammy Binkley - January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. Wayne and Joyce

Joyce (Willis) Ellison - January 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss Margie! I'm praying for you and I love you!

Katandra Roach - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Louise & Jimmy Hux - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Freddie and Norma Myers - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ Margie - we're so sorry for your loss! We didn't know about Ernie's passing until tonight! Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers always. Please let us know if you need anything at all. Much Love, Velma, Scott, Dawn, Sheena & Katie

Velma Boyce & The Morgans - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Janie Ottinger - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ We are so sorry for your loss. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Reece, Cheryl & Cody Grooms

Cheryl Grooms - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ My love, thoughts and prayers are with each one of your precious family. Always your friend Kim

Kimberly and John Vick - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Liz, I wanted to let you know Im thinking of you and your family during this time of loss. The days ahead will be long and hard as your family begins to adjust to the absence of the husband, father, grandfather, and friend your Dad was. Just remember, he s

Angel Gregg - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ You know how much he loved you all. May all your memories bring you comfort.

Linnie Denton - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Sorry for your loss...Praying for you and all your family...

Stephen Hodges - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I want to share with you the joy that I had meeting Mr Lunsford over the summer of this past year. He came into the office of Fisher Insurance inquiring of better prices and we spent a couple of hours talking (not insuranc

Cindy Click Hunt - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ So very sorry for your loss. We love you! We are also praying for you and your family.

Tonya McFalls - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Randy Bethea - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was the sweetest and I know you all are going to miss him. If there is anything I can do please let me know. I will be praying for peace during this time.

LaDonna Holiway - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Codi Miley - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Margie, you and your entire family are in my prayers. I know this is such a difficult time for you and I am praying extra hard for you. You are like a member of our family and I want you to know if there is anything we can do, please let us know.

Louise Freeman - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Ralph and Barbara Smith - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ You are in our prayers. David and Brenda Crawford

Brenda Crawford - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ prayers for the family

Christine Jenkins - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ prayers for the family

Reba Sutton - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ So sorry you and your family is in my prayers

Gloria Lewellyn - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Jeanne Birdwell has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.*

Jeanne Birdwell - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Dear Friend, I am sending you my deepest sympathy on your great loss. There are no words to say to you to give you the comfort you need. Let me be honest and tell you you will feel lost and empty. With all your wonderful knowledge about so many things y*

Sharleen Sane - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

S&

“ *Ernest Anderson Lunsford*

Stephanie & Wayne McClanahan &Family - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *Ernest Anderson Lunsford*

Tiffany Dover - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *PRAYI NG FOR FAMILY*

ALBERT AND ROSEMARY RAINES - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *We're so sorry for your loss, if there is anything we can do for you. Please let us know. You're in our Prayers!*

Chad and Gina Crum - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

jonita lunsforn - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Darrin Burchette - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Ernie was a member of our Tennessee Truck Lines family and like so many others has moved on to a better place. He had a smile that could melt ice. His family was always on his mind and in his heart. I do not remember a conversation in which he did not me

Debbie Davis - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ On behalf of Ernies' McDonalds family. We pass our deepest condolences. His smiling face and good conversation will always be remembered. His love for life and his family is an understatement. May your hearts be filled with wonderful memories as you celeb

McDonalds Restaurant - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Sandy Ensley-Freshour - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ With my deepest sympathies and love for your family.

Kim McCoig - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ So sorry for your loss. May God bless you all!!!

Debra Hurst - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Wiley & Betty Morgan - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ There is another side of grief, where the tears still flow...not as often. Where memories bring smiles...not sadness. Where blessings are recognized...not just struggles. Where joy and peace are present...not just sorrow. Where Ernie is remembered...n

Diana & Joey McGaha - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Prayers to special family. May God wrap his arms around you and comfort you as only he can.

Rochell Lewis - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ I am so sorry to hear about Ernie. I loved talking to him, he always had a story to tell me. I am praying that God will wrap his arms around all of you and help you find peace and comfort in this difficult time of loss. I will miss him.

Tammy Hudson - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with your family. May God comfort you.

Sheryl Clevenger - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you.

Donald Frazier - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Prayers and love for all of you!!

Regina (Hensley) Ellis - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Chris, Wendy & Andy Hogan - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ So sorry for your loss. You all will be in my prayers.

Melissa Fancher-Gilland - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ So sorry for your loss, remembering you all in thought and prayer.
Perry & Debbie Matthew 28:20

Perry & Debbie Carlisle - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you! Phillip, Robyn, and Brody

Robyn Lane - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Don and Ella Mae Large and family - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ To all the family, So sorry for you'll loss. Ernie was a great with a great family. He will missed by everyone who knew him. Keeping you all in our thoughts ad prayers. We love you all.

Missy and Mike Wood - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Sorry for your loss.May God give you strength to get through this time of sorrow.love you all!!

trudyselhall - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Our deepest condolences for the loss of your loved one.

Jerry & Nora Lee Self - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ We are so sorry for your loss our prayers are with you.

Pat & Patricia Mathis Taylor - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Harold henley - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ So sorry for your loss. A Dad is his daughters first love, and I know that he will be missed so much. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Teresa Masoner Bennett - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ We are so very sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Lunsford. We were just chatting with him a few days ago and meeting the newest member of the family George the sweet little pug.... Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers and we are jus

Michael and Carol Gentry and Jane - January 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God give the family comfort during this time of loss. God bless.

carroll and marilyn austin - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ My thoughts are with you..May God wrap His arms around you and comfort you. Marjorie if love could have kept him here, he would have lived forever.

Debbie Poarch - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Prayers lifted up for the family. Sorry for your loss.,

Ray Fancher - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Johnny & Teresa Weeks - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Love and Prayers

Dale and Nancy Raines - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Gail and family so very sorry to learn of your fathers passing. It seemed he always had a smile on his face each time I saw him and I know he was so proud of his family! Love and prayers

Abby Balch - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ We will miss Ernie. He was a good friend. I will always remember what a good man he was cleaning the grill at Feed My Sheep. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Fletcher and Penny Ervin - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ with love with love

fredia pruit - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Our Deepest Sympathy Doug and Joyce Shoemaker

Doug and Joyce Shoemaker - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Very sorry for your loss. Praying for you all.!

Sherrie Weeks - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Ernest Anderson Lunsford

Roger,Irene Greene - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Will be keeping all of you in prayers for peace and comfort now and in the days ahead.

Parker & Nanette Wilds - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ We are so sorry for your loss may god bless all of the family

Randall & Anna Holt - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Margie, You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. So very sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Linda & Bud Dawson

Linda Dawson - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ We were so sorry to here about Ernie. Our prayers are with you all.

Larry and Carlene reed - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Liz and family, In deepest sympathy in the loss of your father. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sherrie Dillard - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Liz and family, So sorry for your loss. You now have an angel watching over you from above. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Kay and Kim Gregg - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Our condolences for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for all family and friends.

Denise Jones - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM