



James W. Russell

March 21, 1945 - October 31, 2022

James W. Russell, age 77 of Newport, passed away Monday, October 31, 2022.

He worked for American Enka for over 30 years and the Tennessee Department of Transportation for over 20 years.

He was a UT fan and loved fly fishing, hunting, camping with his family, and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his parents Eugene and Jessie Mae Russell and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Charles Gentry, Herbert Gentry, Maurice Gentry, Jackie Gentry, Cheryl Gentry, and Barbara Parker.

He is survived by his wife Annette Russell; son Dewayne William "Chip" (Sandra) Russell of Knoxville; daughters Heidi K. (Dennis) Freshour, of Newport and Jade (Emmanuel Hernandez) Russell all of Dandridge; sisters Carolyn (Bill) Moorefield and Myra Hodges all of Newport; grandchildren Olivia Russell, Andrew Billingsley both of Knoxville, Adam Freshour, Cole Freshour both of Newport, and EJ Hernandez of Dandridge; and great-grandchildren Payton Billingsley, Natalyn Billingsley, and Major Billingsley all of Knoxville. Brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Herman and Alice Gentry, Ronnie and Janice Gentry, Joyce Gentry, Norman and Eva Dean Gentry, Wayne and Janine Gentry, and Bill and Tammy Gentry; and several nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at Manes Funeral Home.

Funeral Service will be at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, November 3, 2022 in the Manes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Randy Runions officiating. Burial will follow at Union Cemetery.

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

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

NOV 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral service

NOV 3. 2:30 PM (ET)

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363 East Main Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *James W. Russell*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Prayers for the family. Tommy and Carolyn Lillard*

Carolyn Lillard - November 11, 2022 at 10:39 AM



“ *Annette, you and all your family are in my thoughts and prayers. 🙏*
Cheryl E Grooms

Cheryl Grooms - November 05, 2022 at 02:35 PM



“ *I went all the way through school with James, & he was always a kind, good friend. I send my deepest sympathies to the all the family.*
Bill & Charlotte Leibrock

Charlotte Leibrock - November 05, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ *Annette and family, you are all in my prayers as you navigate the difficult road ahead.*

Becky Boggan - November 04, 2022 at 09:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James W. Russell.*



November 03, 2022 at 06:37 AM



“ *You all are in our thoughts and prayers!*

Marc & Kathy Hance



Kathy Hance - November 02, 2022 at 08:22 PM



“ *Annette, I am so very sorry to hear of James' passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.*

Janice Cline - November 02, 2022 at 06:37 PM



“ *Love and prayers for the Russell family RIP James*

Cookie Ramsey - November 02, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ *Stacy Munn lit a candle in memory of James Russell*



Stacy Munn - November 02, 2022 at 09:06 AM

KM

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with Annette and family. Both James and Annette were my classmates in high school. May God bless you all.*
Kenny Maloy

Kenneth Maloy - November 02, 2022 at 07:30 AM

RF

“ *Russell Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of James W. Russell.*



Russell Family - November 02, 2022 at 06:41 AM

MT

“ *Annette so sorry for your loss. Praying for all of you.* *Mary Austin-Taylor*

mary Taylor - November 01, 2022 at 10:41 PM

LH

“ *Prayers!*



Louise & Jimmy Hux - November 01, 2022 at 04:19 PM

MA

“ *marian anderson lit a candle in memory of James Russell* ”



marian anderson - November 01, 2022 at 02:11 PM

MC

“ *Very sorry for your loss!* ”



Mitch Coakley - November 01, 2022 at 12:07 PM

SH

“ *I have many memories of James growing up. My dad was Wayne Campbell and they rode to work together. I'm so sad for your loss.* ”

sandy campbell hurley - November 01, 2022 at 10:09 AM

SH

“ *sandy hurley lit a candle in memory of James Russell* ”



sandy campbell hurley - November 01, 2022 at 10:07 AM

CT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Charlotte & George Tweed* ”

Charlotte Tweed - November 01, 2022 at 09:49 AM

AO

“ So sorry for your loss.



audrey a owenby - November 01, 2022 at 08:44 AM

SR

“ Scenic Realty lit a candle in memory of James Russell



Scenic Realty - October 31, 2022 at 10:59 PM



“ Chip, so sorry for the loss of your dad. My prayers are with you & your family.

Sandy Samples Steward

Sandra G Steward - October 31, 2022 at 08:29 PM

WH

I can't believe he's passed we had so much fun when we were in school and when we would see each other. So sorry.

willie hartsell - November 02, 2022 at 01:13 PM