

Ruble "Bucky" Ball

November 6, 1953 - July 18, 2024

Ruble "Bucky" Ball, age 70, of Newport Tennessee, passed away peacefully in his home on Thursday July 18th, 2024.

Bucky was born in Newport, Tennessee on November 6th, 1953. He graduated from Cocke County High School. Following high school, he went on to marry Catherine Ball; they were married for 48 years.

He is known to many as a friendly, outgoing man who loved to joke and make others laugh. He easily made several friends at his time at the Newport Utilities, where he worked as a water crew foreman for over 35 years.

Bucky is survived by his wife, Catherine, his sons, Eric Ball (Cailee) and Wesley (Nicki) Ball, his sisters, Connie (Tim) Luker, Kathy Holt, Sheila Sutton, and Dorothy Kyker, his nephews, Scottie Wilde, Dr. Tommy Sutton, Kenny Myers, and Zachary Luker, his niece, Emily Smith and his granddaughters, Ansley and Mailey Ball. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ruble and Alma Ball and Lillie Hall.

The family would like to give a big thank you to Smoky Mountain Home Health and Hospice, especially Heather and Leslie. Also, thank you to Lisa Morie and Dana Vidrine for their care which allowed Bucky to remain at home

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. – 7p.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at Manes Funeral Home. The Graveside Service will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at Point Pleasant Cemetery with Dennis Caldwell officiating.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Alzheimer's Tennessee in care of

Alexa Austin at Manes Funeral Home, 363 East Main Street Newport, TN 37821.

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

Arrangements with Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

JUL **23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Inc.
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821
(423) 623-6952
manesfuneralhome@bellsouth.net
<https://www.manesfuneralhome.com/index.cfm>

Graveside Service

JUL **24.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Point Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery
3330 Point Pleasant Road
Newport, TN 37821

Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruble "Bucky" Ball*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - July 22, 2024 at 04:12 PM

CS

“ *Larry and I have so many awesome memories especially our trip to Cancun together with you and Buck ...Growing up with Wes and Erick we all have so much good to remember Buck was one of a kind and him and my Dad Slug were Best friends the things they got in to growing up ...He will be missed so much we love you all and are praying for the days to come ! Love, Larry & Chrissy ,Caden and Blade Smith !*



Chrissy Smith - July 25, 2024 at 10:05 AM

LL

“ *Cathy, Eric and Wes so sorry for your loss. Buck was a wonderful friend. Topper loved him like a Brother. I'm sorry to miss the service. If there is anything I can do let me know. I know this is a hard time*
❤️❤️ *Lil and family much loved by many. lillieeffler009@gmail.com*

Lillie Leffler - July 24, 2024 at 12:28 PM

BL

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Praying for comfort and peace for the family.

Barry and Lisa

Barry and Lisa - July 24, 2024 at 07:51 AM

LS

“ Buck was always so sweet to me and Neil. He made it a point to ask how we were and never failed to make us laugh. Buck especially loved to talk about Ansley and Mailey and how proud he was of Wes and his family. He will be missed ! We will be praying for the family in the coming days .

Lisa Shults - July 24, 2024 at 07:02 AM

CI

“ So sorry to hear of Becky's passing. Many prayers for the family.

*Our deepest condolences
Don and Cindy Wise*

cindy - July 23, 2024 at 11:17 PM

JB

“ Sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.
Lloyd, Mary and Janice Bryant



jjanice bryant - July 23, 2024 at 08:22 PM

A(

“ Bucky was a neighbor as well as a friend. He was always happy and just one of those people that you enjoyed being around. I will keep each of you in my prayers.

Angela Sutton Ramsey (Neacy) - July 23, 2024 at 06:53 PM

KW

“ Cathy, Eric and Wesley I'm so sorry to hear about Buck. He was a wonderful friend and one of the funniest people I've ever had the pleasure of knowing and I'm terribly sorry I wasn't able to make it to the service. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Kim Williams - July 23, 2024 at 06:06 PM

GC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all today and the days to come. Buck was a good one !!!! Love and hugs.



Gail Carver - July 23, 2024 at 05:04 PM

MG

“ Mandy Gilliland lit a candle in memory of Ruble Ball



Mandy Gilliland - July 23, 2024 at 03:29 PM

RG

“ To Wes and the entire Ball family, you all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God give you peace and strength.

Roger Greene - July 23, 2024 at 09:46 AM

TF

“ The Houze Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.



The Houze Family - July 22, 2024 at 08:44 PM

TF

“ Tommy Sutton & Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.



Tommy Sutton & Family - July 22, 2024 at 08:38 PM

TF

“ Tommy Sutton & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.

Tommy Sutton & Family - July 22, 2024 at 08:38 PM

AB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I will be keeping you all in my prayers and sending you my love. May God comfort you during this difficult time.

Alison Hayes Burke

Alison Burke - July 22, 2024 at 08:20 PM

CF

Cathy, I was so sorry to hear about Bucky's passing. He holds a special place in my heart. Love you!

Cindy Francis - July 23, 2024 at 11:47 PM

AM

“ Prayers and sympathy for you all

Amy Allen MacDonald - July 22, 2024 at 06:13 PM

LC

“ Buck was so much fun to be around. We were drivers for Larry Smith and had so much fun. Sorry to hear and we will have his family in our prayers

Leonard Combs and Phyllis Combs - July 22, 2024 at 06:09 PM

BC

“ Our Thoughts and Prayer's are with Cathy and the Family 🙏

We were just talking about you all Tuesday.

We didn't realize that he was sick!

Bucky was a fine man with a wonderful wife

and children and we enjoyed our younger days hanging out with him and Cathy.

There's nothing like those good memories!



Bobby and Gail Clevenger - July 22, 2024 at 02:20 PM

JO

“ *Cathy, Eric and Wesley, I'm so sorry for your loss. Bucky was such a kind soul. You're in my prayers.*

Judine oakley - July 22, 2024 at 02:08 PM

SO

“ *So sorry to read of another childhood friend. Prayers and thoughts are with you*

Susan Owenby - July 22, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.*



July 22, 2024 at 01:38 PM

RM

“ *Our sympathies to your family! We will be praying for you!*

Rob and Lisa Myers - July 22, 2024 at 12:56 PM

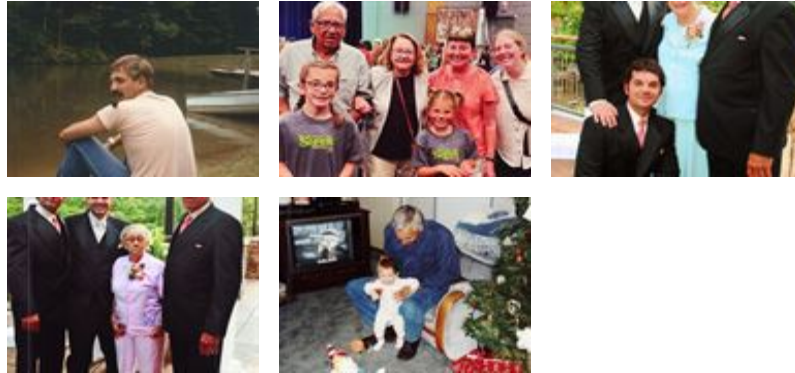
BE

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Bucky. We went through high school together. He was a nice guy. May God help you through this sad time.*

Betsy - July 22, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - July 22, 2024 at 12:01 PM

KM

Bucky was one of the best and hardworking men I knew. Ever since we was kids Bucky always was fun and funny and was a great uncle! We are blessed for the memories we had with him he was loved and will be missed. Cathy, Eric, and Wes if you need anything we are a phone call away. I love all of you!

Kenny Myers - July 23, 2024 at 08:30 PM

JG

“ *Kathy, Wes, & family. I will miss all the laughs we shared with Bucky. He always had a joke & a smile to share with anyone who was lucky enough to call him a friend. He will be greatly missed. May God give each of you peace now & in the days to come. With Deepest Sympathy, Mrs. McDonald (Jenean) Gray*



Jenean Gray - July 22, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.*



July 22, 2024 at 10:15 AM



“ *After a basketball game with Morristown East..we all(about 7 of us (brave souls) decided to check out the haunted house on the hill .lol. Bucky and me being the bravest amongst our "gang" eased in the front door and up the steps... at the top of the steps....someone or thing aroused up... of course Bucky left me at the top of the stairs.. being the cheerleader that I was ...I jumped over the rail and landed right on Bucky... knocked the breath out of him for a minute.. we all ran through that corn field like like a herd of wild horses...I may have wet myself.. or not.. memories like this make old age tolerable...RIP Bucky...you were a great friend.Ps: make new friends but keep the old...those are silver...these are gold..Ruthie Cogburn West*

Ruthie West - July 22, 2024 at 09:35 AM



“ *Many good memories of our days at CCHS. Thoughts and prayers to Cathy and family.*

Debbie Chesteen Davis - July 22, 2024 at 09:18 AM



“ *Growing up in the neighborhood with with Bucky, very fond memories.*

Mary Austin-Taylor

mary tayyor - July 22, 2024 at 08:29 AM

JO

“ *Judine oakley lit a candle in memory of Ruble Ball*



Judine oakley - July 22, 2024 at 07:55 AM

VT

“ *Cathy, Wesley and Eric - I am so sorry to hear this. Bucky was such a great guy to work with. His fun loving antics always made work more fun. Lifting you all in prayer as you struggle with the days ahead.*

Vicky Wilson Turner - July 22, 2024 at 07:53 AM

LO

“ *Cathy, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time and the days to follow.*
Lisa Ottinger

Lisa Ottinger - July 21, 2024 at 06:58 PM

CT

“ *Bucky was one of the most cheerful, friendly, and kind person you'd ever want to meet. I'll miss his colorful stories and contagious laughter. You will be missed, my friend!*
Cindy

Cindy Turner - July 21, 2024 at 06:13 PM

BG

“ *Kathy and Eric it is with great sorry to hear about Buck’s passing. Bucky was a wonderful child hood friend growing up. I am very thankful to have had him for a friend for the past 60 years. My prayers and thoughts are with your family during these sad times.*

Bobby D Clevenger & Gail - July 21, 2024 at 04:52 PM

JP

“ *Jim and Melonie Parker purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Ruble "Bucky" Ball.*



Jim and Melonie Parker - July 21, 2024 at 11:56 AM