



Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II

October 11, 1944 - February 16, 2016

Wilfred Rhea II passed away February 16, 2016 at his home under the care of St. Anthony's Hospice.

Bud was a founding member of New Beginnings Missionary Baptist Church. He was a U.S Navy Veteran and member of several organizations. He was a Kentucky Colonel, and member of the Stanley Masonic Lodge #878 and member of the International Union of Bricklayers Local #4. Bud was a member of The American Legion Worsham Post #40 for 39 years and the local V.F.W. He enjoyed reading and was very knowledgeable about the events locally and around the world. He was a huge U.K. fan.

In addition to his parents, Wilfred Vernon, Sr. and Lavenia Rhea, Bud was preceded in death by his first wife, Peggy Loney Rhea, 1 daughter Kathy Schnell, 2 sons, Dewey Russelburg and Jimmy Russelburg,

Survivors include:

Wife of 31 years: Theresa "Teri" Rhea Spottsville, KY

6 Sons: Steve Russelburg Tampa, FL

Chuck Russelburg Evansville, IN

Billy Russelburg Henderson, KY

Scotty Russelburg Henderson, KY

Wilfred Vernon Rhea, III Henderson, KY

Micky Rhea Spottsville, KY

3 Daughters: Melanie Schapker Newburgh, IN

Kimi Jo Joiner Henderson, KY

Tracy "T.J" Akin Manhattan, KS
2 Step Daughters: Dayla Williams Evansville, IN
Leslie Dunigan Benton, KY
1 Sister: Norma Rhea Sexton Spottsville, KY
42 Grandchildren:
Many Great Grandchildren
2 Nephews

Relatives and friends are invited to Bud's Life Celebration from 2:00 – 8:00 PM Friday Feb. 19, 2016 and again on Saturday starting at 10:00 AM at Benton-Glunt Funeral Home, Henderson, KY. The funeral service will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 20, 2016 at the funeral home with the Reverend Don Haire officiating. Burial will follow at Fairmont Cemetery in Henderson, KY. Military Honors will be rendered by the Amerigan Legion Worsham Post #40.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to St. Anthony's Hospice.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt Funeral Home, A Life Celebration® Home, online condolences may be made at www.bentonglunt.com

Cemetery Details

Fairmont Cemetery

Henderson
KY 42420

Previous Events

Life Celebration

FEB **19**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
629 S. Green St.
Henderson, KY 42420
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Life Celebration

FEB **20**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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2:00 P.M. Tuesday May 8, 2018 Funeral Service

FEB **20**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt Funeral Home
629 S. Green Street
Henderson, KY 42420

Tribute Wall



“ *Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II*



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - March 02, 2016 at 03:03 PM



“ *Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II*

November 29, 2022 at 08:01 AM



“ *I remember Willie when were in henderson county high school. I wish I had kept in contact with him in are later years how time flys. So sorry for your lost.*



Jim Gish - February 21, 2016 at 02:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II.*



February 19, 2016 at 07:54 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II.*



February 18, 2016 at 04:06 PM



“ *77 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - February 18, 2016 at 03:35 PM



“ *Praying for you and your family. My thoughts and prays are with you. Love ya*

Casandra Bridges - February 18, 2016 at 12:41 PM



“ *Melanie so sorry for your loss. Praying you will reflect on the days he lived and smile at all the good memories. My heart is sad because your heart is sad. Praying.*

Ginger Bedford - February 18, 2016 at 10:38 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II.*



February 18, 2016 at 10:26 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II.*



February 18, 2016 at 10:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Willie" "Bud" Vernon Rhea II.*



February 17, 2016 at 10:55 PM

MS

“ *Greatest Man! This world will never be the same without his big heart! My dad was a man of Great wisdom. He married my Mom at the age of 21 just out of the navy. She was 12 years older and had 10 children when he married her. Enough said! He and my mom went on to have 2 more children. My Mom passed away in 1977. He remarried had another child. Then Married Teri-his sweetie! She has two daughters. He never stopped loving and caring for us all! He always said "What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash"*

Melanie Schapker - February 17, 2016 at 07:40 PM

JR

Bud was a cool uncle, a man of adventure who travel a lot. We all move to Arizona and became one big family and later move back to Kentucky. Uncle Willie and my mom gave me one huge family with lots of good memories. My cousins are like brothers and sisters. He will be deeply miss. Until we meet in Valhalla, R.I.P. Sailor May the Lord meet you at the pearly gates and welcome you with open arms.

Joel Romo - February 19, 2016 at 12:49 AM