



Auston "Buck" Kelley

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Obituary

Jess Auston "Buck" Kelley, age 73 of Newport, passed away Friday, December 4, 2020 at Tennova Newport Medical Center.

He was a member of Allen's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Kelley was an athletic enthusiast, having served for many years as a coach and referee for various youth sports. He was also a country / western dance instructor, operating the Kuntry Dance Barn in Cosby for a number of years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy & Velma Kelley; brother, Charles Clinton "Sonny" Kelley; and sister, Reba Stokely.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Kelley; sons, Scott (Linda) Kelley & Casey (Diana Samples) Kelley; stepson Jason Wood; grandchildren, Chance (Makenna) Kelley, Erin & Leah Kelley, and Jaleeana Wood; sisters, Phyllis Seay, Wilma (Earl) Seay, Teresa (Gary) Payne, and Kathy Kelley; several nieces & nephews; special friends, Ray Stokely, Charlie Brooks, & David King; and a host of other friends he met over the years.

The family will hold a private graveside service at the Jonestown Cemetery in Del Rio.



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In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cocke County Golf Team.

Brown Funeral Home is honored to serve the Kelley family.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Auston "Buck" Kelley, please visit our floral store.



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BS

Benny Stinnett posted:

A Memorial tree was ordered in memory of Auston "Buck" Kelley by Benny Stinnett . Plant a TreeMay God provide comfort to all of the family. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.Benny Stinnett

September 23 at 12:51 PM

SP

Sharon Gann Peters posted:

Sending prayers and condolences to the family.

January 2 at 9:18 AM

BB

Brooke Fullington Boggs posted:

Sending you love, comfort, and prayers! We're so sorry!-Joe, Brooke, Elise, and Rhett Boggs

December 12 at 2:44 PM

BC

Bettye & Carl Jay Carver posted:

Our sincerest and deepest sympathy. Prayers for all of you!

December 12 at 12:27 PM

RT

Robert Jr & Tracy posted:

Prayers for you all during this time.

December 11 at 11:24 AM

VM

Vanessa & Ronnie Meser posted:

Praying for you all.

December 11 at 8:53 AM

RG

Roger Greene posted:

Casey, so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

December 10 at 5:17 PM



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SF

Swan Ellison And Family posted:

Buck was a great friend and we worked for years together at Brockwell Co. He will be deeply missed. Prayers for his family and sons.

December 10 at 9:49 AM

AH

Amy Bryant Hayes posted:

Scott and Casey, praying for you both. So very sorry.

December 10 at 7:10 AM

NS

Norma & Edmon Seay posted:

We have such fond memories of Buck. We were proud to call him "friend". He was such a great guy, with a contagious smile, and always a friendly word for everyone. We sure had a lot of special times at the Dance Barn in Cosby when he was teaching country dance, and clogging. It was a special time of get together for friends, whom he always made feel like family. He will be greatly missed. May the beautiful memories of the life he lived, bring you comfort in the days to come. God Bless.

December 9 at 6:50 PM

MS

Melanie Strickler posted:

Casey, I was so sorry to hear about your dad. You are in my thoughts and prayers

December 9 at 6:33 PM

CR

Cookie Ramsey posted:

Prayers for family and friends

December 9 at 7:24 AM

CP

Clayton Presnell posted:

I enjoyed going to school and working with Buck at Sonoco. Sorry for your loss and your family will be in my prayers.

December 8 at 4:30 PM



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GJ

Gina Owens-James posted:

Scott and Casey, Sorry to hear of Bucks passing, you are all in my thoughts and prayers. I have alot of fond memories growing up next door to you all, Buck always made me feel like part of the family, he will be missed by all who knew him. Love from Gina Owens-James

December 8 at 9:37 AM

JE

Judy Ewing posted:

Scott and Casey. My heart is saddened to hear about Buck. Over the years I have heard good thing's about you two and his influence in your lives helped shape the good men you have become You are all in my prayers.

December 7 at 6:31 PM

DL

Dawn Lee posted:

I'm so sorry to hear of Buck's passing. I thought the world of him. I remember taking me and Scott fishing when were very little and he caught a snapping turtle. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

December 7 at 4:47 PM

GH

Glenda Henderson posted:

Casey & Scott, I am so sorry to hear about Buck's passing. I have many memories of him visiting our house when I was a teenager. We went to church together, sang together, and just had some good times.. He was a special person!Glenda Henderson

December 7 at 3:40 PM

TG

Tim Grigsby posted:

We are so sorry for the loss of Buck. The family is in our thoughts and prayers.Monroe and Shirley Grigsby

December 7 at 2:44 PM



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CG

Cecil And Donna Gilland posted:

We are so sorry for your lost! He was a great guy and will be missed.

December 7 at 2:42 PM

JK

Jean Kelley posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

December 7 at 1:03 PM

AP

April posted:

Karen we love you.... The LORD has you.. ecclesiasticus 3..... Yes I know it's not really a verse for a time like this but it's what keeps coming to me.. Gail... April.. We love you so much

December 7 at 9:00 AM

DO

Donna Ottinger posted:

🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏 Donna and Ronnie Ottinger

December 7 at 8:16 AM

CC

Claude,Earlene,Julie,Chuck posted:

I went to school with Buck and he was always such a sweet and kind person. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless you with many happy memories. Claude,Earlene (Lindsey), Julie, Chuck, Taylyn,Tanner,Kayla, and Emersyn Strange

December 7 at 5:44 AM

JD

Julie Dawson posted:

My condolences to Scott and Casey. I am very sorry to hear of his passing. Many fond memories of him from my childhood.

December 6 at 4:46 PM



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LG

L C Gregg posted:

Buck was truly a good person. The families has known each other for several years. He will be missed by everyone. My prayers are with the family.

December 6 at 3:56 PM

BK

Billy Kelley posted:

So sorry to hear about the passing of Buck. He was a good cousin and a greater friend! he will be wise by everyone who knew him may God bless him and his entire family.

December 6 at 2:18 PM

SD

Susan Dalton posted:

Karen & family We are so sorry to hear of Buck's passing. You all will be in our prayers. My God hold you close in His arms and comfort you. With much love from your cousin Susan and husband Rev. Wayne Dalton.

December 6 at 1:46 PM

MW

Mary Ann Wilson posted:

Karen just heard about Buck I'm so sorry. He was a good friend I will remember the good times we had at the music barn. Prayers for family in coming days

December 6 at 1:32 PM

TW

Tina Wilson posted:

I am so sorry to hear about Buck. I have many good memories from the Music Barn and the dance team. He will be missed. I pray for comfort for the family during this time and the days ahead.

December 6 at 1:29 PM

BS

Benny Stinnett posted:

Scott and Casey, Just heard about the passing of Buck. I have a lot of great memories of him (coming to the shop or sports), he was a good man, raised two good sons, and was a good coach. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

December 6 at 12:41 PM



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TC

Tres Carter posted:

Casey, My heart breaks for you and your family. You all are in the Carters Prayers.Sincerely,The Carters

December 6 at 11:34 AM

ST

Sherry Turner posted:

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. Scott Sutton and Sherry Turner

December 6 at 10:54 AM

LJ

Louise & Jimmy Hux posted:

Prayers!

December 6 at 10:44 AM

DN

Duay And Kay O'neil posted:

Our sincere sympathy. We have so many good memories of Buck, dating to our high school days in FFA. Then the wonderful times at the Music Barn with Buck, Edsel Ford, and Bob Large. No doubt they are having a grand reunion. May angels surround you in the coming days.

December 6 at 5:46 AM

JS

Jerry & Nora Lee Self posted:

Our deepest condolences. May you have peace in the days ahead.

December 6 at 5:06 AM

MA

Mary Ann posted:

We are very sorry to read about Buck. He will be missed by all that knew him. Our prayers are with all the family and friends..now and in the days to come..May God bless each of you.

December 5 at 4:38 PM



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RA

Randall And Marcia Arrowood posted:

We were so sorry and sad to hear of Buck's passing. Our deepest sympathy to the family. You are in our prayers during this very difficult time. Randall and Marcia Arrowood

December 5 at 3:31 PM

PD

Phyllis Douglas posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. We have so many happy little league memories and years working with Buck. He was a true friend and our lives were truly blessed by his friendship. Ronnie and Phyllis Douglas

December 5 at 2:46 PM

GH

Gary And Kathy Holt posted:

Casey, We are so sorry to learn of your Father's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Gary and Kathy

December 5 at 1:46 PM

LD

Linda Dawson posted:

Scott & Casey, We just now learned of Buck's death, and so very, very sorry to hear this. Buck was a good friend for years and we'll never forget him. Please know that we are keeping you and all Buck's loved ones in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time, and send our love. We have many happy memories with you all. Matthew 5:4 Sincerely, Bud & Linda Dawson & Family ❤️

December 5 at 12:04 PM

RF

Ray Fancher posted:

Sorry for your loss.

December 5 at 9:28 AM

MG

Mark Grigsby posted:

So sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

December 5 at 9:25 AM



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AR

Arzella posted:

Karen, I am so sorry to hear of Bucks passing.... remembering you and the family in prayer.

December 5 at 8:30 AM

LW

Lana & Charlie Williamson posted:

So sorry for your loss. Buck was such a wonderful man. We bowl with him and his children played ball with our children.

December 5 at 7:52 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Auston by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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