



Wendell Ransom Byford

October 2, 1940 - April 24, 2021

Wendell R. Byford, age 80, passed away Saturday, April 24, 2021 surrounded by his loving family. He was born October 2, 1940 in Manchester, Tennessee to the late Evans and Selena (Cathey) Byford. Wendell was a talented musician who loved impersonating his favorite singer, Elvis Presley. He played guitar and sang in a band most of his life. Wendell was a family man that adored and loved his family and friends. His family fondly spoke of him saying, "To know him is to love him..." and "He never met a stranger and made everyone feel like they belonged". Wendell impacted many lives with his kindness and love for others. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. The family will receive friends for a memorial gathering Thursday, May 6th from 4-6 p.m. at Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home. A celebration of life memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. in the chapel of Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home with Pastor J.T. Jordan officiating.

Besides his parents, Evans and Selena (Cathey) Byford, he is also preceded in death by his sister, Mary Jo Perry.

Wendell is survived by his childhood sweetheart and wife of 60 years, Jean Byford; daughter, Sheila Cagle; sister, Roxy Byford; granddaughter, Jennifer Jandeka (Mike); granddaughter, Sarah Greer (Zack); great grandson, Jett Greer and great grandson, Micah Greer.

Online condolences may be made at www.davesculbertsonfuneralhome.com. Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home
401 N Jackson Street
Tullahoma, TN 37388
(931) 455-3481

Tribute Wall



“ *Wendell Ransom Byford*

January 25, 2023 at 12:28 AM



“ *I met Wendell about 16 years ago, he was a friend of my father. I have many fond memories of him and Jean. He was a good man, I thought the world of him. Wendell had a heart of gold, always a smile. Rest In Peace my friend.*

Don Cornelius - May 06, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *Michael, Gina and John purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Wendell Ransom Byford.*



Michael, Gina and John - May 04, 2021 at 05:41 PM

GL

“ I have very fond memories of you and your family back in the good old Shadows of Blue Days. My dad would play that guitar and you would be singing your heart out. Ill never forgot how sweet is was that you learned a Chicago Song for my wedding and sang it.

You were always so fun to be around. Thanks for the great memories.

Love and prayers to your entire family.

RIP

Love,
Gina Laarkamp

Gina Laarkamp - May 04, 2021 at 05:31 PM

PC

“ You can finally rest without pain. I want to thank you for being the male guiding light for my son. Zack adores you and will miss you. You told me once you were tickled to have a boy in the family, well he felt the same way. I know you will need a rest for a while, but when god gives you your powers keep an eye on his sons (your great grand sons) They are two wild gentlemen. If you need help you can ask my dad, who is there also and will be happy to help you.



All of your girls will have a hard time for a little while, but they are strong, smart and know god will take care of you. You will be greatly missed

I send my love,
Patricia Chilson (Zacks mom)

Patricia Chilson - April 29, 2021 at 05:23 PM

LB

“ I first met Wendell playing music at the Lincoln Park Moose. He made such an impression on me, that I transferred to his home lodge in Taylor. He and Jean were so kind to me and my family. My wife worked most holidays, so Wendell would invite me and my two kids, to come join his family for dinner. Wendell sold me the property where I live today. I will cherish the fact, I got to call him around Christmas time last year. I know he is singing with the Angels now. Sing on, my friend.

Larry Bruner - April 28, 2021 at 07:51 PM

AL

So beautiful dad. Such a great tribute to an amazing person.

april lienau - April 29, 2021 at 07:57 PM

AL

I very much agree. Larry is my daddy. As he said Wendell and Jean always welcomed us in their home. Always. I grew up at the Taylor Moose Lodge 887. Listening to Wendell and the Shadows of Blue. But beyond that, as my daddy said, we were always welcome at Wendell and Jeans home. Any day. I have so many wonderful memories at their home. Listening to him singing. Soooo many wonderful memories. And babysitting for Sheilas first born ❤️ Memories I have cherished forever. Memories that have engrained upon me for my life. Aside from my parents, I can say that Wendell and Jean impacted my life more than anyone else. I pray for peace and love for his family. ❤️❤️❤️All of you. I hope you all know that.

april lienau - April 29, 2021 at 08:10 PM

SF

“ Sarah Anderson Felts Richard Felts lit a candle in memory of Wendell Ransom Byford



sarah anderson felts richard felts - April 28, 2021 at 07:36 PM