



Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.

December 22, 1955 - September 12, 2019

Kenneth Wayne "Buddy" Hudson, Jr. of Altavista, was called home to be with his Lord and Savior on September 12, 2019 after a courageous 21 year battle with cancer.

Born December 22, 1955 in Alexandria, Buddy was an armed forces veteran having served in the Air Force and the U.S. Army National Guard, and a retired Campbell County Deputy Sheriff with 27 years of service.

He enjoyed music and entertaining and was the lead singer of the popular club band Savannah Jack for 15 wonderful years and continued to run sound and sing for various local bands even after Savannah Jack ended. He was an avid boater and loved spending his weekends on Smith Mountain Lake with friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth Wayne Hudson, Sr. and Ollie Lee Dalton Duke; step-mother, Brenda Barksdale Hudson; and a daughter-in-law, Carmen Rye Thomas whom he adored.

He is survived by the love of his life and best friend, Juanita Hudson of the residence; three sons, Adam Richard Hudson of Altavista, David Michael Hudson and his fiancé, Maggie Greer of Lynch Station, and Brian Allen Thomas who he affectionately called "Holmes" of Moneta; three

grandchildren, Nathan Hunter Hudson, Kenneth Blake Hudson and Conner Allen Thomas; one brother, Glenn Hudson of Altavista; one sister, Annette Holloway and her husband, Michael of Yorktown; special friends, Billy Worley and Robert and Wendy Lee; his beloved fur babies, Simon and Coco, and many other loving friends and family members.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., September 16, 2019 at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by the Rev. Adam McDaniel with military honors by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 1:00 p.m., at the funeral home.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff at the Centra Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center for the many years of love, care and compassion shown to Buddy.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Donor Services, PO Box 98018, Washington, D.C., 20090-8018.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **16.** 1:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Memorial Service

SEP **16.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - September 14, 2019 at 10:11 AM

SB

What a wonderful tribute!!! Always had a smile on his face!!!

Susan Bibee - September 14, 2019 at 02:11 PM

BI

What a beautiful tribute!

Billie - September 14, 2019 at 02:49 PM



Love your tribute! Will forever be in our Memories!

Janet Thurman - September 14, 2019 at 03:29 PM

DS

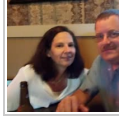
Awesome Tribute

Diane L Shupe - September 14, 2019 at 06:01 PM



VERY NICE TRIBUTE.

Terri Fink - September 14, 2019 at 08:51 PM



"Awesome Tribute! Lot's of great memories!"

Kathy Jenkins Reynolds - September 14, 2019 at 09:58 PM

CC

Wonderful Tribute

carolyn caldwell - September 15, 2019 at 08:58 AM

TW

Beautiful tribute!!

Teresa Woods - September 16, 2019 at 11:42 AM

DS

Awesome tribute

Diane Smith - September 17, 2019 at 07:12 AM

BR

Awesome tribute.

Barbara Rappleyea - September 18, 2019 at 03:16 PM

MA

“ *Marian sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Marian - January 09, 2021 at 10:37 AM

MA

“ *Marian lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Marian - January 09, 2021 at 10:36 AM

LR

“ *Buddy, I will remember your smile, always. Thank you for being a great neighbor and friend. You have a beautiful family and will be remembered by many. You will be missed, but am glad that you are no longer suffering in pain. I know you are picking and singing in heaven. RIP forever.*

Linda Rodriguez - September 16, 2019 at 07:55 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gouin lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Linda Gouin - September 16, 2019 at 02:21 PM

LG

“ *Juanita, I am so sorry for your loss! Prayers will be up for your family. Uncle Buddy was a wonderful Uncle to my Children, Jordan and Deborah, and they loved him dearly! He was always a sweet and kind person to me and he will be GREATLY missed! We love you, Juanita!! 🙏🙏*

Linda Gouin - September 16, 2019 at 02:19 PM

KH

“ Juanita, I was reminiscing about the time we were at the lake and Buddy was sitting on the dock while you, Glenn, and I were in the water when lightening came out of nowhere and struck and went in a circle above our heads! 🤩 God was truly watching over us! I can still remember Buddy’s laugh as he said he’d never seen Glenn move so fast! Lol I pray that God surround you in His perfect love, many hugs and laughs with those precious grandchildren, and that all the many wonderful memories flood your heart with healing! God bless you! Kelly C Hudson

Kelly C Hudson - September 16, 2019 at 11:36 AM

DR

“ Darlene & Billy Robertson lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



darlene & billy robertson - September 16, 2019 at 09:33 AM

DR

Our sincere sympathy to each of the family. Buddy has joined the heavenly chorus to share his talents.

darlene billy robertson - September 16, 2019 at 10:51 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr..



September 15, 2019 at 10:33 PM

LB

“ So sorry to hear this sad news. I am Isaac Trinkle And Vera Weeks Hudson's daughter. I moved away at 18 and have lost contact with family members. My brother Wendell and I used to play with Kenneth and his brother. Long time ago but not forgotten 🙏

lori barker - September 15, 2019 at 10:09 PM

PL

“ To Juanita and Family,
What a wonderful tribute to my cous, Buddy.
The pictures capture his essence and make me smile. I know he will be greatly missed by his family and all of his friends. Rest in peace, Bud.



With love & deepest sympathy, Patti Lanier (& husband, Mario Paul)

Patti Lanier - September 15, 2019 at 09:13 PM

MA

“ Dear Hudson Family-
We are so very sorry to hear of Buddy's passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. We hope you can take comfort in knowing that he is now resting in the arms of our Lord.
Our deepest condolences to you.
Marjorie Adams and Family

Marjorie Adams - September 15, 2019 at 09:04 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr..



September 15, 2019 at 05:13 PM

DL

“ Dear Juanita and Family,
I loved Buddy so much but know he is not
suffering anymore. Love you all and want you
to know you are in my prayers.
Aunt Doris



Doris Lanier - September 15, 2019 at 03:28 PM

JL

“ David and family,
I'm sorry for the loss of your father. Proverbs 17:6 A godly example
for you to follow.
June Lee

June Lee - September 14, 2019 at 06:20 PM

BC

“ Butch & Glenna W. Carr lit a candle in
memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



Butch & Glenna W. Carr - September 14, 2019 at 05:54 PM

DS

“ Diane L Shupe lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



Diane L Shupe - September 14, 2019 at 05:43 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr..*



September 14, 2019 at 02:39 PM



“ *We pass this way but once.....Buddy made the best of his journey and always showed that warm smile, gentle nature, humble spirit and kindness to everyone he met. He fought his long battle with integrity, and grace. May God wrap His loving arms around Juanita and the children and family and many friends with comfort and grace. RIP my Friend, you have earned your rewards and will be missed.*

Mariilyn Shelton - September 14, 2019 at 02:12 PM



Buddy God blessed us all with a chance to know you. A Kind, Loving ,Happy person and a dam good singer . You will live in the hearts of all that loved you for a long time to come

Diane L Shupe - September 14, 2019 at 06:00 PM



“ *Mariilyn Shelton lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Mariilyn Shelton - September 14, 2019 at 02:05 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - September 14, 2019 at 11:28 AM



“ My deepest sympathy. I enjoyed hearing Buddy sing at Uncle Billy's Day. Proud that I was his cousin. Janet Tucker Barbour

Janet Tucker Barbour - September 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM



“ 50 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - September 14, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ I am very thankful I got a chance to meet Buddy as he was such a blessing to me. His family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Makenzi Brady - September 13, 2019 at 10:50 PM

ES

“ *Rest in Peace Buddy! You made a lot of people smile over the years with your beautiful singing voice and musical talent. You were always friendly and kind to everyone. You will not be forgotten!*



Etta Skinnell - September 13, 2019 at 03:49 PM

FF

“ *From your Tanglewood Estate Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr..*



From your Tanglewood Estate Family - September 13, 2019 at 12:51 PM

LP

“ *David and family, My heart goes out to you and prayers lifted. What an amazing and talented man your Dad was! I will miss his smile....always so friendly. I have known Buddy since we were pre-teens. He will be missed always! Love to you and your entire family, Lisa Daniel Paschall*



Lisa Paschall - September 13, 2019 at 11:29 AM

RJ

“ *Russell Jordan lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



russell jordan - September 13, 2019 at 09:48 AM

TW

“ *>Juanita, I cannot imagine what you're going through right now. Buddy was such a sweet and kind man, that it was easy to see the love he had for everyone. Especially his love for you and family. I will be praying for you and all who knew and loved him. May the love of God and His peace that passes all understanding engulf you now and guide you. I am so saddened by this loss, especially since you have been through so much. If there is anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to call. Love you, 'Nita!*



Teresa Woods - September 13, 2019 at 09:30 AM

DM

“ *Dot Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



dot mitchell - September 13, 2019 at 09:15 AM

SL

“ *My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family...I know how much you loved him from our conversations at work... You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.....*

Shannon Lloyd - September 13, 2019 at 08:47 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr..*



September 13, 2019 at 08:28 AM

GG

“ *So very sorry to hear this sad news...he was one of the nicest young men I ever met. When he came into the Personnel Office at Lane (where I worked) he was so polite and just a fine person. He will be greatly missed by all. You have my deepest sympathy.*



Gwen Dawson Goggin - September 13, 2019 at 08:15 AM

DS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Buddy's passing. He fought a courageous battle with cancer. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time.*

Dianne Tucker Sykes - September 13, 2019 at 07:37 AM

BR

“ *Brenda Robinson lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Brenda Robinson - September 13, 2019 at 04:47 AM

DI

“ *You're now singing with the angels. God bless you my friend.*



Dianne Irby - September 12, 2019 at 10:40 PM

JH

“ *God took another Angel home today,Buddy was always a wonderfull man ,kind hearted and a beautyfull soul, i am very thankfull to have known him ,R.I.P. Buddy,we love you!*



jane hunley - September 12, 2019 at 10:04 PM


Rhonda
Hunt

“ *My prayers are with you Juanita and family. My heart can't imagine your loss. I pray God brings you peace.*

Rhonda Hunt - September 12, 2019 at 09:48 PM

EV

“ *Very sorry to learn of the passing of Kenneth. Prayers for the family!*

EW Viar - September 12, 2019 at 09:30 PM

SS

“ *Many prayers for Juanita & family & friends prayers for comfort now and always 🙏*

Sherry Stites-Cross - September 12, 2019 at 09:19 PM

AF

“ *Amy Robertson Franklin lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Amy Robertson Franklin - September 12, 2019 at 09:06 PM

DS

“ *Diane Smith lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Diane Smith - September 12, 2019 at 08:45 PM

AK

“ *Thought & Prayers for the family.*

Alice Krantz Keese



Alice Krantz Keese - September 12, 2019 at 08:39 PM



“ Heartfelt prayers and sympathy to Juanita, David, and Buddy's family. Such a loving and talented man. We have so many good memories of the times he played and shared his love of music with us all! We will miss him greatly, may God comfort and strengthen you during these difficult days ahead Till we meet again and sing on God's golden shores!
Bobby & Janet



Janet Thurman - September 12, 2019 at 07:37 PM

CS

“ Cindy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



cindy stewart - September 12, 2019 at 06:59 PM

TH

“ Juanita.. I am so sorry I am out of town..I pray the Lord will give you comfort...Lean on Him & Trust In His Faithfulness..

Taffy Hudnall - September 12, 2019 at 05:25 PM

AR

“ Thoughts and prayers 🙏



Anthony Robertson - September 12, 2019 at 04:54 PM

ME

“ *My thoughts & prayers go out to you all at this difficult time.*

Mary Edmonds - September 12, 2019 at 04:05 PM

ME

“ *Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Mary Edmonds - September 12, 2019 at 04:04 PM

BM

“ *Bud & Dean Moon lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Bud & Dean Moon - September 12, 2019 at 04:02 PM

CJ

“ *Buddy was a wonderful man with a gentle soul. He was a neighbor,
a family friend, and a great man. We will miss you, Buddy. My
thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time.*

*Love you all,
Cheryl & Shirley James
Troy & Ryder Chatting*

Cheryl Anne James - September 12, 2019 at 03:52 PM

CJ

“ Cheryl Anne James lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



Cheryl Anne James - September 12, 2019 at 03:49 PM

RM

“ Rick And Wanda Monroe lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.



Rick and Wanda Monroe - September 12, 2019 at 03:10 PM

WQ

“ Buddy was a very fine person. We worked together many years ago, Him with the Campbell County Sheriff's Department & Myself with the State Police. I enjoyed listening to Him & His Band, Savannah Jack on numerous occasions. RIP My Friend.
W.C. Quarles
Gretna, Va.

W.C. Quarles - September 12, 2019 at 03:09 PM

CR

“ You will be miss

Carol Rowland - September 12, 2019 at 02:56 PM

CH

“ *Connie Payne Hall lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Connie Payne Hall - September 12, 2019 at 02:05 PM

WG

“ *What can I say but we love you all
May God hold you in his arms and bring the peace that only He can.
All my heart
Bo and Wanda*

Wanda Goodman - September 12, 2019 at 01:46 PM

LM

“ *Lucinda Mattox lit a candle in memory of
Kenneth Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Lucinda Mattox - September 12, 2019 at 01:30 PM

LB

“ *Lydia Bragg lit a candle in memory of Kenneth
Wayne Hudson Jr.*



Lydia Bragg - September 12, 2019 at 01:17 PM