



Aubrey Warren "Buddy" McKenzie

January 22, 1938 - April 4, 2022

Aubrey Warren (Buddy) McKenzie, 84, of Trenton, passed away on Monday, April 4, 2022.

Buddy was born on Jan. 22, 1938, in Kopperl, Texas, to the late Aubry and Naomi McKenzie, and grew up in Dutton, Ala. He was a retired master welder and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was also a longtime member of the Trenton Church of Christ, where he served as an elder, deacon and Bible study teacher. It was at a Bible study at the Trenton congregation that he met his future wife, Sorita Ellen Wheeler. They were married on June 15, 1969.

Buddy was a jolly and witty soul who always loved to tell a good joke. He was a gifted craftsman and a talented photographer. He loved red Chevy trucks, McDonald's hamburgers, Coca-Cola and Alabama Crimson Tide football.

But the center of his life was his family and his deep Christian faith. Buddy's loved ones will remember him for his kindness, compassion and his strong yet gentle spirit.

In addition to his parents, Buddy was preceded in death by his son, Patrick McKenzie, and his brother, Danny McKenzie.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 53 years, Sorita McKenzie; son, Michael McKenzie; grandchildren, Ben and Ella McKenzie; daughter-in-law, Amanda McKenzie; brother, James (Joyce) McKenzie; sister, Brenda (Terry) Hamlin; and several nieces and nephews.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared at ryanfuneralhome.net.

Services for Buddy will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 15, at the Trenton Church of Christ. Interment with full military honors will follow at Lake Hills Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, Apr. 14, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Ryan Funeral Home and again on Friday, Apr. 15, from 1 p.m. until the service hour at the church.

Arrangements are by Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory in Trenton, Ga.

Cemetery Details

Lake Hills Memorial Gardens

206 Lake Hills Drive
Trenton, GA 30752
(706) 657-4242

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory
11415 S Main St
PO Box 506
Trenton, GA 30752
(706) 657-7525
steven.ryan@ryanfuneralhome.net
<https://www.ryanfuneralhome.net/>

Visitation

APR **15**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Trenton Church of Christ
Trenton, GA 30752

Service

APR **15**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Trenton Church of Christ
Trenton, GA 30752

Tribute Wall

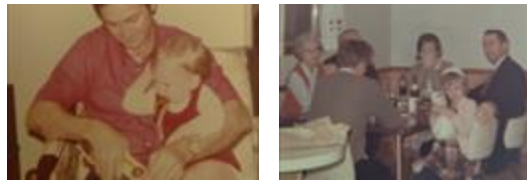


“ *Aubrey Warren "Buddy" McKenzie*

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Frances - April 21, 2022 at 04:31 AM

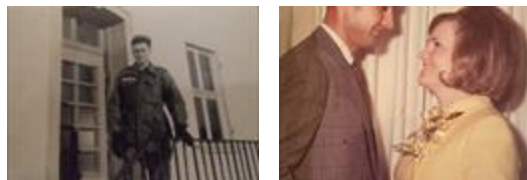


“ *When I was a kid Buddy use to take me often to get ice cream. He loved country music and always had it playing when we went. That and him teaching me how to grow popcorn as well as the best way to climb a tree are just a few of the sweet memories I have of him. He was the best kind of uncle, so kind and patient. Frances*

Frances - April 21, 2022 at 03:08 AM



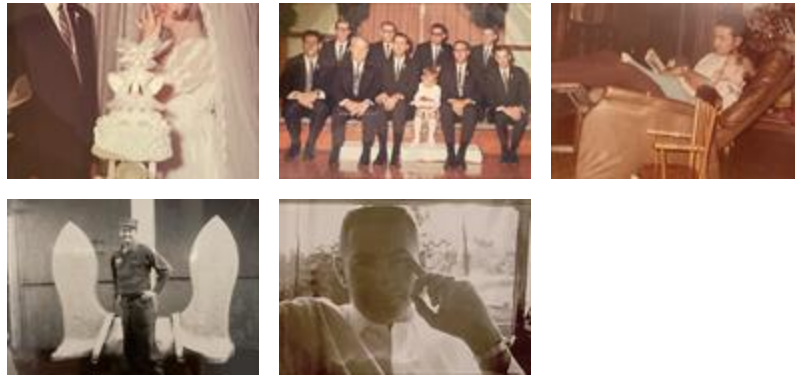
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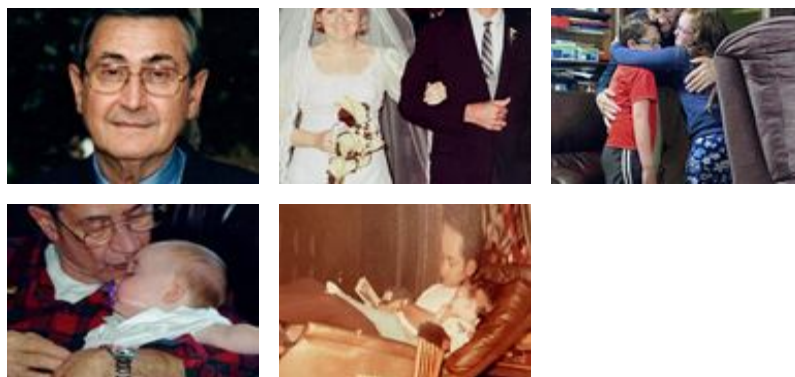
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“ Buddy was always the fun uncle behind the camera, snapping memories while everyone was visiting, freezing time to look back on. He was the family historian. He always gave a soft, meaningful bear hug that made you feel loved. He will be missed.

Carol Dornink - April 14, 2022 at 08:43 PM



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Ryan Funeral Home - April 14, 2022 at 03:58 PM

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“ *Mitzi Webb lit a candle in memory of Aubrey Warren "Buddy" McKenzie*



Mitzi Webb - April 08, 2022 at 08:23 PM

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“ *Wonderful Christian man and I am thankful that I had the chance to know him at least for a little while 🙏
And tha you for your service to the country and the church 🇺🇸🙏🇺🇸❤️ You are on a much better place and I will see you soon 🙏🙏🙏🙏*



Mitzi Webb - April 08, 2022 at 08:20 PM