



Mr. Ted Bauer

September 15, 1959 - November 2, 2018

God took the most beautiful precious Angel on 2 November, Ted Bauer. After being born a preemie on Sept 15, 1959, he was given little chance to survive through the night, but God graciously blessed us with 59 years with the most remarkable, kind-hearted gentleman one could ever meet.

Living most of his life in Illinois, Ted and his southern bride bought their little piece of heaven within Natchez Trace State Forest 8 years ago. The splendor of waking up every day to fresh clean air, enjoying the beauty of nature and wildlife, 4-wheeling within Natchez Trace, enjoying Saturday night dinners with the neighbors, and watching our cat, Sam's on-going fights with the possum on the deck...what more could one ask for. An avid hunter & fisherman man, Ted truly was in heaven; he was like a kid on Christmas Day for the opening of deer hunting season. What made Tennessee even more special are the people, the neighbors, co-workers...an unadvertised special perk. A beautiful simple life with a beautiful simple man.

Ted had a life-long love affair with food, food without onions that is...every meal consisted of a "his" and "her" dish! Chocolate cake, brownies, chocolate ice cream, Kisses...did we mention he LOVED chocolate??? He was an excellent cook, most notably on the grill with his ribs and Boston Butts; but living in the South he learned to make the best Chicken n' Dumplings! He was a carpenter by trade & could fix and build almost anything; a great electrician, but a plumber he was not! Countless times the plumber's bill exceeded the original cost to repair; but it was always amusing to watch him

try; he loved the challenge! After moving to Tennessee Ted worked for Farmers Coop & then Hardin Trucking in Lexington. He often heard, “you ain’t from around here are you?”, but he was always graciously welcomed with such kindness, open arms and was adopted by us fine Southern folks. Unbeknownst to most, Ted’s favorite poem was “Reason Season Lifetime”...a poet he was not, but a romantic, sweet gentleman with the most beautiful heart and soul; most people spend a lifetime and are never so fortunate to find.

Ted is survived by his mother, Mrs. Doris Bauer; his wife of 8 years, Mrs. Kimberlee Bauer; his son, Ryan Bauer; his daughter, Amanda Bauer; step-son, Edward Keller (Heather); step-daughter, Kristin Keller; four sisters, Valorie Bauer, Belinda Bauer, Shelly Renner, and Andrea Renner; step grandchild, Blair Keller; 2 nieces, Leslie Dicorpo and Kelly Christensen; 3 nephews, Tyler Renner, Drew Renner, and Jacob Reinert; and special pets, Annie and Sam. He was preceded in death by his father, Mr. Jack Bauer. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to the Fisher House Foundation www.fisherhouse.org; this is a network of comfort homes where military and veterans’ families can stay at no cost while a loved one is receiving treatment. The Fisher House was our home away from home for many months while Ted went through his procedure, treatment, and follow-up care for Glioblastoma, terminal brain cancer at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. The Fisher House was always there opening the doors for us; such a blessing it was & the friendships we met will last a lifetime...we soon realized that were many others in much worse shape medically & we were so blessed to have had such a vast support system of Fisher House families. The family would also like to thank the Aseracare Hospice staff who took great care of him and his wife, Kimberlee.

To say our hearts are broken by Ted’s passing would be an understatement; to say our lives have been enriched by knowing Ted would be an even bigger understatement. Many leave footprints in the sand, but Ted left lasting impressions...we are all better for knowing Ted. Thank you all for the love and

support you've given him the past 17 months; and always remember...he will always be with us.

Please join us for Ted's service on Thursday, November 8, 1:30pm at the Parker's Crossroads Veteran's Cemetery. Afterwards, the family welcomes you to gather at their home in Wildersville to share your memories of Ted. Pafford Funeral Home of Lexington is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery at Parkers Crossroads

693 Wildersville Rd
Parkers Crossroads, TN 38388

Previous Events

Service

NOV 8. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AW

“ *Mrs. Bauer,*

We are deeply saddened by the loss that you and your family have encountered. Our hearts go out to you during this trying time and may our prayers serve as comfort to you and your loved ones.

THE FISHER HOUSE AT WRNMMC

Aquila Williams - November 09, 2018 at 10:53 AM

IM

“ *My Beloved Kimberlee - My heart breaks for you. This will be your toughest road to traverse. Please take comfort in knowing that Ted was larger than life so Death will never diminish him. With much love, Iris Miranda-Kirschner of Chatham, Illinois*

Iris Miranda-Kirschner - November 07, 2018 at 07:25 PM

BM

“ *Kimberlee, I did not get to know Ted half as well as I wish I had the opportunity to. But I know he brought great happiness into your life. I loved his outlook on life and shrewd insights about people. I know I am a better person for having known him, and the world would be a better place if we could all just be a little bit more like Ted. My prayers are with you in your time of loss. Bill Muldoon*

Bill Muldoon - November 07, 2018 at 09:27 AM

CJ

“ *DAO Bangkok donated to Fisher House in memory of Ted.*

Carter Jarvey - November 05, 2018 at 11:36 PM

OC

“ Ollie Crow purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Ted Bauer.



Ollie Crow - November 05, 2018 at 08:50 PM

RO

“ Donated to the Fisher House in memory of Ted

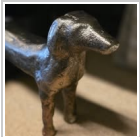
robert - November 05, 2018 at 08:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Ted Bauer.



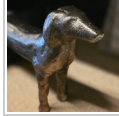
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“ Christopher Escue lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ted Bauer



Christopher Escue - November 05, 2018 at 05:58 PM



I do apologize, I have never met Ted Bauer, but I was raised in Natchez Trace Park (outskirts) on Scarce Creek Rd, that I had to comment on this witty and heart touching obituary. I send you and your family the most profound uplifting energy and love:)

Christopher Escue - November 05, 2018 at 06:02 PM

DK

“ *Sending prayers to you and your family. Hugs Kazz*

Daniel Kazumura - November 05, 2018 at 01:24 PM

IF

“ *so sorry for your loss. prayers for the family.*



imogene frye - November 05, 2018 at 01:00 PM

RF

“ *Rhonda Frazier lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ted Bauer*



Rhonda Frazier - November 05, 2018 at 11:27 AM