



Brian Kirby Buttrey

June 1, 1953 - September 16, 2024

Brian Kirby Buttrey, of Bon Aqua, Tennessee, passed away at the age of 71 on September 16, 2024. Brian was born in Nashville, Tennessee, on June 1, 1953, to the late Sterling Dee Buttrey and Louesia Janie Pendergrass Buttrey.

In addition to his parents, Brian was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Zelda “Chico” Thomas Buttrey, and his brothers, Sterling Dee Buttrey, Jr. and Steve Buttrey.

He is survived by his children, Brian (Ginger) Buttrey of Centerville, Tennessee; Tinisha (Matthew) Weigelt of Roanoke, Indiana; and Samantha (Chris) Dansby of Columbia, Tennessee. A devoted grandfather, Brian leaves behind six grandchildren: Janelle Buttrey, Zaniya Dansby, James-Lawrence Weigelt, Isaac Weigelt, Maya Buttrey, and Halle Buttrey, as well as one great-grandchild, Ja’Naya Buttrey. He is also survived by his sisters, Phyllis Buttrey and Debbie Castillo, and his brothers, Jason (Sun) Buttrey and Damon Buttrey.

Brian served his country honorably, and it was during this time that he met the love of his life, Chico. Together, they faced the world’s challenges with love and joy for 35 years until her passing from cancer in 2011. In Brian's own words, “it was us against the world,” and their bond remained steadfast through all adversity.

A man of loyalty and integrity, Brian didn't trade old friends for new ones. His home was a sanctuary, welcoming not only his children's friends but their friends as well. He spent years as a dedicated coach in football, t-ball, and baseball, rarely missing a game, even when his children went off to college.

With the heart of a lion and the mindset of a wolf, Brian lived his life devoted to providing a better future for his family. He was a "simple kind of man," whose love, strength, and understanding left a lasting legacy on everyone who knew him.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29.** 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (cst)

McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Hickman County
102 West End Ave.
Centerville, TN 37033
(931) 729-3561

Memorial Service

SEP **29.** 2:00 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ To the Buttrey Children and Grandchildren, trust that Brian Kirby and Chico now fly high together with the angels--they're waiting just around the corner for the rest! Brian's legacy lives on with you, and your love and pride in him shown through in yesterday's memorial--how special. My thoughts and prayers remain with you. Love, Granny Carolyn



Carolyn Moss - September 30, 2024 at 12:45 PM

MS

“ Family members would ask why I always took my vacations in Tennessee. That was where I was most comfortable. Chico and Brian always made me feel welcome and I was safe from criticism. They let me roam while they were at work and I made sure dinner was ready when they got home, so they could relax. Breakfast on the weekend and I loved that. I haven't been on vacation like that in a long time. Love my family so much.

Micole Simpson-Johnson - September 28, 2024 at 10:19 AM

RM

“ Roy & Sharon McCoy lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey



Roy & Sharon McCoy - September 26, 2024 at 10:21 PM

NT

“ Thinking of the Buttrey family during this time of loss. Brian Kirby was an amazing man and anyone who had their life impacted by Brian and Chico’s kindness & love were truly blessed.



NaTasha Reddon Truett - September 25, 2024 at 08:58 PM

RB

“ Rosie Burns lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey



Rosie Burns - September 25, 2024 at 03:02 PM

MG

“ Marilyn Gilliam lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey



Marilyn Gilliam - September 25, 2024 at 10:15 AM

BM

“ Bobby/Sandy McFarlin lit a candle in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey



Bobby/Sandy McFarlin - September 24, 2024 at 05:15 PM

SR

“ Prayers for peace and comfort for his children and grandchildren. I was friends with Brian and went to school with him. When he got out of the service and came back to Tenn he came to my house with Chico his lovely bride. I loved her and we were friends. I am happy that he and Chico are reunited. They raised a beautiful family. So sorry for the Buttrey family

Sgeila Hughes Rigsby - September 23, 2024 at 10:31 PM



“ Sandi Westover lit a candle in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey



Sandi Westover - September 20, 2024 at 08:39 PM

CM

“ Cheeva McClearen lit a candle in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey



Cheeva McClearen - September 20, 2024 at 07:40 PM

DS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort ,peace and strength in the days ahead. Prayers



Debbie Semore - September 20, 2024 at 03:01 PM

VA

“ *Poppy took me in as Sam’s friend but became much more over the years. He was truly an outstanding man and we will miss him so much. We love you poppy. Take your rest and you are now with the love of your life Chico once again. 💕💕💕* ”



Vena A - September 20, 2024 at 12:15 PM

RS

“ *Renee Shepard sent a virtual gift in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey* ”



Renee Shepard - September 20, 2024 at 01:10 AM

MR

“ *Monica S. Ramey lit a candle in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey* ”



Monica S. Ramey - September 19, 2024 at 11:25 PM

MS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Mable Scates* ”

Mable Scates - September 19, 2024 at 07:45 PM



“ brian this hit me very hard we were close in high school and i pradtically lived at uncle dee and aunt janies in high school i loved brian like a brother but i had know idea that he was even sick

Rex Buttrey - September 19, 2024 at 12:10 PM

JA

“ So Sorry for Tour Loss 🙏

Jim Adams - September 18, 2024 at 09:04 PM

RL

“ My deepest sympathies to Brian’s family and friends💔🙏🙏🙏

Rhonda Booker Long - September 18, 2024 at 12:54 PM

BC

“ Bill and Teressa Clarke lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey



Bill and Teressa Clarke - September 18, 2024 at 12:44 PM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey



Ronald Gammons - September 18, 2024 at 10:32 AM

PH

“ *I am so sorry to read this, my sincere condolences and prayers .*



Paula Hay - September 18, 2024 at 10:29 AM

TU

“ *Terrie Utley lit a candle in memory of Brian Buttrey*



Terrie Utley - September 18, 2024 at 10:05 AM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey*



Betty Love - September 17, 2024 at 07:59 PM

MB

“ *MICHAEL BATES sent a virtual gift in memory of Brian Kirby Buttrey*



MICHAEL BATES - September 17, 2024 at 07:31 PM