



## James "Bud" Clyde Tatum

December 2, 1944 - October 8, 2019

James Clyde Tatum commonly known as Bud passed away peacefully within his home Tuesday, October 8th, 2019 at the age of 75 with his loving wife Gail by his side.

Bud was born on December 2nd, 1943 in Rising Fawn, GA to Ruby Gatlin and Donald Tatum. As a young boy, he grew up exploring his surroundings in Rising Fawn. Many stories have been told of Fox Mountain where he spent most of his time learning to be the avid outdoorsman that he was.

Bud had many occupations which he mastered over the years, including owning and operating several small businesses. He retired from Rogers Group.

He was a good father who always did his best to teach and guide, and he was a loving grandfather and great grandfather. He was a pillar of his community wherever he lived, a good friend to all, a giving man who valued hard work, the simple life, and kind hearts. He will be remembered and greatly missed by all of his friends and family.

He is preceded in death by his parents Donald J. Tatum, Ruby Gatlin and two sisters Tula Ann Cook, Sue Moore.

He is survived by his loving wife Gail Tatum.

Children: Lane (Michelle) Tatum, Kim Tatum, Stephanie (Grant) Skelton.

Steven (Gillie) Choate. Sisters Kay (A.D.) Heartline and Dee (Gary) Steele.

Grandchildren: Priscilla (Charlie) Leonard, Timothy (Melissa) Tatum, Ireland

Tatum, Destiny Tatum, Israel Tatum, Lily Skelton, Gatlin Skelton, Molly Tatum,

Angus Tatum, Judah Tatum, and Lily Claire Eberlei.

Great-Grandchildren: Carter Tatum, Libby Leonard, Nolan Tatum, Pierce Tatum.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Memorial Service

OCT 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Well Daddy..  
God only knows what's next, that's a fact..  
As you would always say.  
I rejoice that you're not suffering anymore in this cruel world of  
greed.  
Go rest high on Fox mountain..  
Your work on earth is done.  
I love you, Kimbo. 💜🙏🎵

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**Kimberly Ann Tatum** - March 24 at 10:32 AM

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“ Rest In Peace Bud Tatum



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**Tiffany Blakemore** - October 10, 2019 at 04:40 PM

BQ

“ Bernard Qualls lit a candle in memory of  
James "Bud" Clyde Tatum



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**bernard qualls** - October 10, 2019 at 02:40 PM

BS

“ *Bud was a great man. Loved life. Bill and I will miss him dearly. He and I had a little secret saying. Can't tell anyone but we always laughed about it. We love you Butter. Go rest high on that mountain.*

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**Brenda Scott** - October 09, 2019 at 07:04 PM

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“ *We loved Bud! He was such a sweet man and was instrumental in the creation of the Pleasantville Volunteers and the community center. We will miss him!*



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**Rita Murray** - October 09, 2019 at 06:10 PM