



Jerry Wayne Burlison

June 11, 1949 - September 15, 2017

Burlison, Jerry W. of Centerville, age 68, passed away on September 15, 2017 at St. Thomas West. He was born on June 11, 1949 at Aetna, TN. He is survived by his widow Ernestine Coleman Burlison, daughter Janeen Chadbourne (Chip), San Diego, son John Gregory (Sara), and grandsons Trent and Seth, Fairview.

He spent more than 40 years in the field of education as a teacher, coach, administrator and including two terms as Superintendent of the Hickman County School System. He was a member of the Centerville United Methodist Church for more than 50 years, and spent many years as a member of the Alumni Board and Trustee of Martin Methodist College where is a member of the Hall of Distinction. He was a long time Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Knights of Pythias, a long time member of both the Lions Club and the Civitans. He served on the Boards of the Hickman County Education Foundation, the Senior Citizens Board and as a member of the Tennessee Education Association for many years. He was a TWRA Hunter's Safety Instructor for more than 40 years and a member of the all-volunteer Tennessee Defense Force. Most recently, he had served as a Hospice Volunteer for several years.

Visitation will be held at 3:00 - 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 17 at McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. in Centerville, with a Masonic Service,

conducted by Ronald Coates, to follow at 7:00 PM. A second visitation will be held at 12:00 - 1:00 PM at the Centerville United Methodist Church on Monday, September 18. Funeral services will be conducted at the Centerville United Methodist Church at 1:00 PM on Monday, September 18. Conducting the services will be Rev. Eddie Smotherman, Bill McDonald, and William Grimes. Interment to follow in Memory Gardens. Arrangements by McDonald Funeral Home, Inc.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Hickman County Education Foundation's newly established scholarship in his memory to benefit lower income students at both high schools in the county. Please make checks payable to the Jerry W. Burlison Memorial Scholarship Fund. On behalf of the family, McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. will collect any checks made payable to the fund.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens

2833 Highway 100 E
Centerville, TN 37033

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Masonic Service

SEP 17. 7:00 PM (CT)

McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Hickman County
102 West End Ave.
Centerville, TN 37033
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Visitation

SEP 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Centerville United Methodist Church
103 College Ave
Centerville, TN 37033

Funeral Service

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Centerville United Methodist Church
103 College Ave
Centerville, TN 37033

Tribute Wall



“ *Nathan Bates lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Nathan Bates - October 01, 2017 at 02:40 AM

DB

“ *Dale Burlison lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Dale Burlison - September 20, 2017 at 11:40 PM

WS

“ *Wanda Stone-Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Wanda Stone-Mayberry - September 19, 2017 at 11:11 PM

WS

Jerry was one of the good guys that loved coaching, his wife , children and grandchildren. I know he will be missed and remembered.

Wanda Stone-Mayberry - September 19, 2017 at 11:14 PM

GC

“ *Glenda Coates lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Glenda Coates - September 19, 2017 at 10:26 PM


Jennifer Jewell

“ *Jennifer Jewell lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Jennifer Jewell - September 19, 2017 at 07:26 PM

MH

“ *Marilee Hooper lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



marilee hooper - September 19, 2017 at 11:32 AM

PJ

“ *Patsy James lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Patsy James - September 18, 2017 at 09:22 PM

MS

“ *Barry and Melissa (Bryant) Shelton*



Melissa Shelton - September 18, 2017 at 01:53 PM

CM

“ *Ernestine & Family,*

I am so sorry for your loss! Jerry and I graduated high school together and both wound up as educators. I always admired the life that he made for himself, beginning from a very young age. I appreciate his service to education and the community in general.

*We will honor him at the old school during Nunnelly Day (Homecoming) on Sept. 30th.
Sending prayers to you all.....*

Carolyn Weems Moss - September 18, 2017 at 12:21 PM



“ *Karen Rogers lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Karen Rogers - September 18, 2017 at 11:11 AM

TW

“ *Teresa Wills lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Teresa Wills - September 18, 2017 at 09:52 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Burlison.*



September 18, 2017 at 08:53 AM

CC

“ *Cathleen Clark lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Cathleen Clark - September 18, 2017 at 08:45 AM

RL

“ *Rest, Jerry! May your body be whole now as The Great Physican brings you into HIS arms! You did many wonderful things for students at East and throughout Hickman County and Tennessee! Thank you for your service and dedication to help others. Prayers to the family!*

Rhonda Booker Long - September 18, 2017 at 05:32 AM

MH

“ *Melinda Hickman lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Melinda Hickman - September 18, 2017 at 01:06 AM

KH

“ *Coach Burlison was a good man that helped mold and shape the future of many young men in Unionville. He always encouraged you to do your best not only in sports but life. I was blessed by having him in my life. He gave me a chance to get started in education. I enjoyed working with Mr. Burlison. He will be sadly missed.*

Kevin Hinson

Kevin Hinson - September 17, 2017 at 09:30 PM



“ *Ginger Coates Diamante lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Ginger Coates Diamante - September 17, 2017 at 01:23 PM

GJ

“ *Greg & Glenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Greg & Glenda Jones - September 17, 2017 at 09:58 AM

SS

“ *Sandi Shelton lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Sandi Shelton - September 17, 2017 at 02:17 AM

GB

“ *George Baker lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



George Baker - September 16, 2017 at 11:24 PM

JJ

“ *Coach B was a wonderful mentor, coach, teacher, and friend. I certainly feel blessed to have been a part of his life. As all good coaches and teachers, he influenced me in a positive manner, and motivated me far beyond whatever I thought possible. He took over a Community basketball program and transformed it to a winner. He was a brilliant man, father, husband, and servant. Coach B, rest in peace.*

Johnny Jones - September 16, 2017 at 08:11 PM

 Patrick Clark

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Patrick Clark - September 16, 2017 at 08:00 PM

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Clark

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



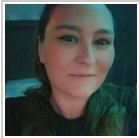
Patrick Clark - September 16, 2017 at 07:59 PM

JJ

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Johnny Jones - September 16, 2017 at 07:04 PM



“ *Mary Malugin lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Mary Malugin - September 16, 2017 at 06:25 PM

BA

“ *Brenda Harrington Alexander lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Brenda Harrington Alexander - September 16, 2017 at 03:29 PM



“ *Darlene Hicks Chappell lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Darlene Hicks Chappell - September 16, 2017 at 03:08 PM



“ *Tracey Dawson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Tracey Dawson - September 16, 2017 at 02:33 PM



“ *PRAYERS to all Family. Such a wonderful person. ONE OF MY FAVORITE TEACHERS.*



Millie Williams - September 16, 2017 at 11:07 AM



“ *Jerome & Martha Burleson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Jerome & Martha Burleson - September 16, 2017 at 10:58 AM

EW

“ *Emily Weatherspoon lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Emily Weatherspoon - September 16, 2017 at 10:06 AM

JM

“ *Prayers for Ernestine and Jerry's two children and his grandchildren. Jerry will surely be missed by all. He was the face of education and always thought so highly of him cause he treated everyone with respect. Blessings during this time your life.*

Janie McCord - September 16, 2017 at 09:45 AM

RS

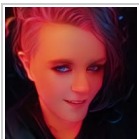
“ *To: Burlison Family,
We are thinking of you during this difficult time.*

Regina & Martha Shelton - September 16, 2017 at 08:44 AM

LE

Jerry, was a man of his word a Godly man. Praying for the family in this difficult times

Linda Lou (Lampley) Edwards - September 16, 2017 at 10:09 AM



“ *Best boss and wonderful person all around. Prayers for the family.*

Alesha Parker - September 16, 2017 at 08:24 AM

BD

“ Bobby D Dunn lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Bobby D Dunn - September 16, 2017 at 08:03 AM

BD

“ I first remember mr. Jerry W Burleson as a Boy Scout leader in the 1970's. Mr. Burleson has always been helpful for our community. We will miss you dearly.



Bobby D Dunn - September 16, 2017 at 07:55 AM

DT

I first became acquainted with Jerry as a new 4-H Agent in Hickman County, and he as a teacher. He became a personal friend, and I've always held him in the highest esteem. I am so sorry for this loss for his family, and to the entire community which he so richly blessed.

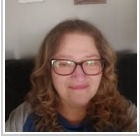
Dale Thomas - September 16, 2017 at 12:16 PM

JB

“ Jennifer Berutti lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Jennifer Berutti - September 16, 2017 at 07:16 AM



“ Renee Shepard Clavette lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Renee Shepard Clavette - September 16, 2017 at 12:59 AM



“ Christy Mays lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Christy Mays - September 16, 2017 at 12:51 AM



“ Jennifer Brown lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Jennifer Brown - September 16, 2017 at 12:32 AM



“ Charlotte Staggs lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Charlotte Staggs - September 16, 2017 at 12:31 AM

DB

“ Donna Harvill Baker lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Donna Harvill Baker - September 16, 2017 at 12:18 AM

RM

“ Richard & Mary McNabb lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Richard & Mary McNabb - September 15, 2017 at 11:24 PM

RM

My heart is so sad for the loss of Jerry. He and I grew up together, were in the same grade in school and were good friends. I was so glad for the wonderful man he was. He has left many of us with fond memories, great examples and a lasting friendship. Prayers and caring thoughts for his family and all who knew him. R.I.P.

Richard & Mary McNabb - September 15, 2017 at 11:37 PM



“ Jess Dicus lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison



Jess Dicus - September 15, 2017 at 09:56 PM



It was a delight having the opportunity to know you.

Jess Dicus - September 15, 2017 at 09:57 PM

SH

Enjoyed Mr.Burlison as a coach at Community High School and as a teacher!

Scott Holden - September 16, 2017 at 09:22 AM

JL

“ *Mr. Burlison kept me from quitting school when I had my daughter in 1992. I was ready to walk away and had been to court and everything, but he pulled me aside and told me that he had faith in me and my potential to be anything that I wanted to be. I ended up going to night school (where he taught), until I received my high school diploma. But every time I would start to doubt myself, his words of encouragement went through my ears. I ended up graduating a year early. Thank you Mr. Burlison for believing in me, when I didn't believe in myself!! Rest in peace Mr.B...*

Jennifer Lewis - September 15, 2017 at 09:05 PM

DB

I know you are happy in heaven. I am really proud of your successful life and all the love shown to you. Wish i had of been around you more but at least the last year or so i finally did get to know you better and am truly blessed for that. Love you Uncle Jerry

Dorothy Burlison Brown - September 17, 2017 at 01:10 PM

JM

“ *Dang fine fellow and not only a Teacher of young people but a friend of them. I know my two boys thought a lot of him as did I. RIP*

Jack McGuigan - September 15, 2017 at 09:03 PM

RB

“ *Renee Bolin Beech lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Renee Bolin Beech - September 15, 2017 at 09:01 PM

FS

“ *Jerry and I were classmates at Martin College....and he was my friend. I will miss you Jerry...and thank you for your friendship. See you on the 'other side'!*



Frank Steinmetz - September 15, 2017 at 08:50 PM

TC

“ *Tommy & Peggy Cagle lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Tommy & Peggy Cagle - September 15, 2017 at 08:06 PM

TO

Thoughts & Prayers for his family & friends. so sorry.

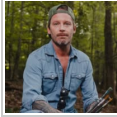
Tommy - September 15, 2017 at 08:09 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Gossett Scott lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Burlison*



Kathy Gossett Scott - September 15, 2017 at 07:53 PM



Best family I know.

Douglas Charlton - September 15, 2017 at 07:59 PM