



Elmer Gene Woods

July 19, 1938 - February 5, 2021

Elmer Gene Woods (Buddy), age 82, passed peacefully during sleep, of cardiac issues, to his Heavenly home on Friday, February 5, 2021 in Paducah, KY. He will be sadly missed but his life will be celebrated for years to come by his loving family and friends.

Before retiring, Gene was a butcher and grocery store manager by day, and proudly served in the Tennessee National Guard. His true passion, however, was with his band of over 40 years, originating in the 1960s. Gene Woods and the Decathlons was known to be the most requested band in his area. He was frequently accompanied on stage by his son Stevie Gene and sister, Moetta. He entertained a wide variety of audiences across four states during the years and released two country singles early in his career.

After retiring from his band in 2005, the Lord lead Gene in a different direction. He left the band behind and starting entertaining in local nursing homes in Paducah as well as his local church, at the time, Bryant Ford Baptist and his relationship with his Creator strengthened.

He is survived by his children, Connie Jean Woods Falk (Stephanie), Stevie Gene Woods (Erica), and Mary Charlene "Shorty" Woods; adoring sisters, Dorothy Ann Cagle (Walter), Mary Lou Burrows, Moetta Melton, Cozette Moody (Larry), and Betty Jo Howell (Steve); and numerous beloved grandchildren, great and great great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other extended family and special friends, all of whom held a memorable place in his heart. He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Phyllis

Taylor Woods as well as his first wife, Lois Faye Gurley Chenoweth; and loving and proud parents, Connie V. and Estelle Renfroe Woods.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday, February 10 at 1PM at Reed's Chapel in Lexington with burial to follow in Bible Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be on Wednesday from 9AM until service. Due to COVID the family has request that all visitors wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Tribute Wall

AE

“ Ashley Evans purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.



Ashley Evans - February 10, 2021 at 07:45 AM

KM

“ Karen & Melissa purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.



Karen & Melissa - February 09, 2021 at 04:23 PM

KW

“ Karen Wilkes lit a candle in memory of Elmer Gene Woods



Karen Wilkes - February 09, 2021 at 04:19 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.



February 09, 2021 at 02:45 PM

SW

“ *I lost my father at 16*

Gene became my father

He was always there no matter what the situation

Gene saved my life

Big city turn me loose and set me free

steve Wallace - February 09, 2021 at 12:48 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.*



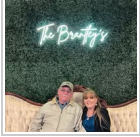
February 09, 2021 at 12:42 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.*



February 08, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ *Ricky Brantley lit a candle in memory of Elmer Gene Woods*



Ricky Brantley - February 08, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ *Elda L Wilkes lit a candle in memory of Elmer Gene Woods*



Elda L Wilkes - February 07, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Condolences from Bobby Ayers and family.*



Teresa Ayers - February 07, 2021 at 06:48 PM



“ *Shelia Brantley lit a candle in memory of Elmer Gene Woods*



Shelia Brantley - February 07, 2021 at 05:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elmer Gene Woods.*



February 07, 2021 at 05:18 PM