



Bennie Franklin Cartledge

June 30, 1944 - June 12, 2021

Bennie (Ben) Franklin Cartledge passed away at the age of 76 on Saturday June 12, 2021. With his passing, the world lost a cherished husband, brother, father, grandfather and friend. Ben was born June 30, 1944, in Covington, Georgia, the eldest child of Frank and Sylvia Cartledge (deceased). Ben joined the United States Navy in 1963 and married Nancy Jean “Jeanie” Lunsford on February 26, 1965. He enjoyed a 20-year career in the Navy, retiring at the rank of E7- Chief. The years in the Navy afforded him and his family opportunities to live across the United States and in the Philippines. At every place they lived, life long friends were made. Bennie had an incredible passion for fishing and was known fondly as the Bass King. His uncanny ability to catch fish was contagious. He loved to share his talent to fish with anyone who had an interest, especially his children and grandchildren. He spent an untold number of hours fishing lakes in Georgia and beyond. The lake was where Ben was happiest. Ben is survived by his wife of 56 years Jeanie; sons Tobie Lee Cartledge (Stephanie) and Todd Alan Cartledge; daughters Tammie Jean Prieto and Tonnie (Dan) Grunhard; grandsons Nicholas Patrick Cartledge and Edward Drew Gredig; granddaughters Sierra Nite, Erika Alexis Wilson (Jacob), Savannah Grunhard, Scarlett Grunhard, Francis Abigail Prieto, Clara Isabel Prieto and Payton Jane Greene; great-grandchildren Ace Carter Branton, Sophia Lynn Wilson and Mason Alexander Cartledge. Additionally, he is survived by his brother Kyser (Margie) Cartledge, and sisters Shirley (George) Loebig and Helen (Ed) Carter; many nieces and

nephews as well as countless beloved friends. Ben's memorial will be held Saturday June 19, 2021 at 2:00pm at Scot Wards Green Meadow Chapel with Robert Wilson officiating, delivering words written by Pat Buchannan. Condolences may be submitted online at www.scotward.com Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA 30012, 770-483-7216.

In lieu of flowers, those desiring to do so may make a donation in memory of Ben Cartledge to Boston College School of Medicine Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy Center, Medical Campus, 72 East Concord Street B-7800, Boston, MA 02118 or online at www.bu.edu/cte.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 19. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

JUN 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Tribute Wall



“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Bennie Franklin Cartledge*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - June 19, 2021 at 11:07 AM

ET

“ *From the first time Uncle David Earl brought Ben to our house....he's been my Unc ever since. So much could be said but I'll just send my love and prayers and tell you all that he was loved very much by John Overstreet's family. Rest easy Unc and give Daddy, Momma and all the others my love.*

Edna Overstreet Thomas - June 20, 2021 at 10:54 AM

BR

“ *Ben and Jeanie are two of the best, most giving, loving people ever known. God give Jeanie sweet memories as she faces Ben's passing!
Loved Ben and always enjoyed sharing our fishing stories. God Bless the family* ❤️

Barbara "Sunshine" Ramsdell - June 19, 2021 at 06:17 PM



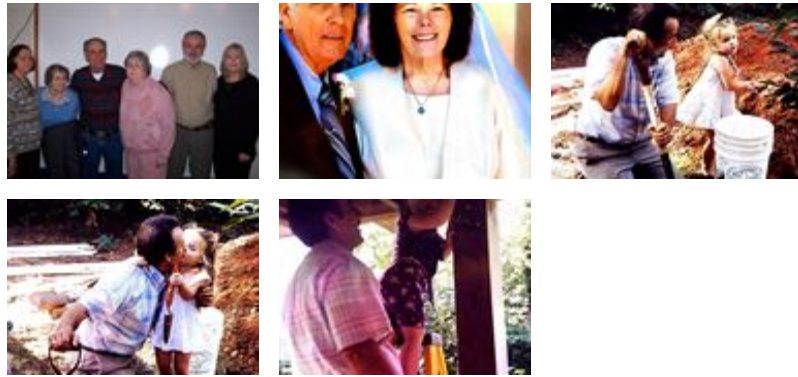
“ Ricardo & CaSanda Nixon purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Bennie Franklin Cartledge.



Ricardo & CaSanda Nixon - June 18, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ 211 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - June 18, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bennie Franklin Cartledge.



June 17, 2021 at 02:24 PM

RN

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Ricardo Nixon - June 17, 2021 at 12:45 AM

RN

Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.”

Ricardo & CaSanda Nixon - June 17, 2021 at 12:54 AM

GM

“ Gary and Billy Mashburn purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bennie Franklin Cartledge.



Gary and Billy Mashburn - June 16, 2021 at 06:46 PM

GM

“ I have many memories of Ben and I. We became close friends in the late fifties and remained close through the mid sixties. Ben was like part of our family and my Mom thought the world of him. Through the years He and Jeanie would go by to visit with her often. As teenagers we would dig up worms for our bait and fish the City Pond behind the old water plant, the Alcovy River, and Covington Mills pond, or any place we could find to fish. After High School he joined the Navy and I joined the Air Force. He made it a career and I got out after 4 years. I have been living in Nashville TN for the past 29 years. A few years back while in Covington, I had the opportunity to go on a fishing trip with Ben. It was a fun day with lots of laughs and reminiscing of our childhood. I wish we could have had more days like that day. RIP my Brother. You will be missed.

My condolences to Jeanie and family, to sisters Shirley and Helen, and brother Kizer.

Gary Mashburn

Gary Mashburn - June 16, 2021 at 06:39 PM

HW

“ My condolences.
Henrietta Wilcox 🌹

Henrietta Wilcox - June 16, 2021 at 12:52 PM

BB

“ My condolence to the family of Bennie Franklin Cartledge. I did not know him personally but I do know his sister, Helen Carter. I know she loved Bennie dearly. She spoke of him and his life. It was a pleasure to know of him and the life he lead. So, Bennie may you rest in peace with our heavenly Father. May HIs light always shine on you. Lord, bless each one of his family members. Be with them during their time of loss. Let them be assured Bennie is with you. And if there is fish in heaven I am sure he will find them.

Death is a sad thing, so celebrate his life. I think he enjoyed his life on earth but most assuredly with his Heavenly Father, he will be happy. Prayers for his wife Jeanie, sister Helen and family. Bonnie Blair, Gospel Lighthouse Outreach Church, Fort Worth, Tx.



Bonnie Sue Blair - June 16, 2021 at 01:13 AM

DO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Debby Overstreet - June 15, 2021 at 07:45 PM

CL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Clint - June 15, 2021 at 06:27 PM

AS

“ *Benny was a kind, caring man! One weekend, coming back home to Columbus, GA from Manning, SC, we had car trouble near Conyors. We called Benny, and he immediately sent a tow and paid for it. Then he asked us for dinner and also provided us with a wonderful place to spend the night - his home. Thanks, Jeanie! So sorry for your loss, but I know you look forward to spending eternity with your sweet husband!*

*Much love,
Anne and Mike Stumhofer and family*

Anne Stumhofer - June 15, 2021 at 05:15 PM

RM

*Rest In Peace. To the Cartledge family, we will keep all of you in our prayers.
Much Love,*

*Helen Mills
Burgess and Francis Mills and Family
Nyla Laney and Family
Randy and Carol Mills and Family*

randy mills - June 16, 2021 at 11:18 AM

DJ

We are so heartbroken about the passing of Mr. Ben!! We became the extended family of Mr. Ben thru our Uncle, David Earl Overstreet, also known as Dave!! These two came and stayed at the Overstreet house on many occasions!! They would always make time to go fishing on each trip!! I know they are now in heaven searching for a monster fish and enjoying every minute of it!! Our prayer is for peace and strength during this difficult time!! RIP Bass King!!

*Bubba Overstreet
Spec "Big Head" Overstreet
Donna Johns
Edna Thomas*

Donna Johns - June 20, 2021 at 08:37 AM

DA

My recently departed mother Kay Lambert, moved into Benny and Jeanie's neighborhood about 15 years ago. She was welcomed by them immediately. My mother looked forward to Benny and Jeanie's annual fish fry and would not miss it for anything, it was an amazing event. Benny once replaced mom's worn-out American Flag for her, without being asked, He was such a patriot, he hated to see the flag showing any signs of wear. She often saw Benny when he was coming or going from his almost daily, fishing trips. Benny was a decent man and was kind and considerate to everyone. My mother and our entire family thought a lot of Benny. Benny made the neighborhood a better place and now he'll be doing the same in his and mom's new neighborhood.

Darrell Lambert

darrell - July 02, 2021 at 12:08 PM