



Henry B. Ashby Jr.

February 3, 1942 - December 4, 2023

Henry Bell Ashby, Jr. was born February 3, 1942, in Russellville, KY, a son of the late Henry Ashby, Sr. and Alma Cooksey Ashby. Henry was a 1959 graduate of Russellville High School and served his country in the United States Army. As a member of the Eleventh Street Baptist Church Henry served upon his death as the oldest Deacon. He was also a member of Ancient Landmark # 28 PHA. Henry was the first African American salesman at Fords Auto Dealership, he was also formerly employed by Auburn Flour-Mill, Cutler Hammer, and was the first African American Insurance Agent for Allstate Insurance starting out in the old Sears & Roebuck Building in 1970 into the mid 90's.

Henry met his wife Stella at the Todds Club, she could really dance, and he was good at slow dancing. They were married October 10, 1965, in Franklin, KY. This union was blessed with two sons James & Gregory. Henry & Stella loved camping and were members of NAARVA, INC-National African American RVers Association. Henry loved jazz music and he held a large collection of Jazz albums with his favorite being Grover Washington. You could catch him listening to some of those favorites while waxing his cars. A close friend Bill Patterson "Bird" shared his love of Jazz. Henry collected pipes, often smoking one while in his man cave. He also enjoyed watching WWII and Vietnam videos, and he would spend countless hours reading his bible.

On, Tuesday, December 4, 2023, just before midnight, Henry was called to his home beyond the skies where he is with those passed before him, parents, Henry & Alma Ashby; son, James Ashby; mother in-law, Susie B. Robey; best friend, George Allison.

To cherish the memories of Henry B. Ashby Jr., he leaves his loving and devoted wife Stella Ashby; dedicated son Gregory Ashby; brothers, Larry (Patricia) Ashby, James C. (Barbara) Ashby, and Steve (Cynthia) Ashby; in-laws, Dorothy (Michael) Cornelius, Pauline Robey, John Robey, Roscoe (Sara) Robey; nieces and nephews, Katrina, Jennifer, David, Christopher, Naomi; and a host of friends.

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son

Cemetery Details

Brock A. Beery Veterans Cemetery

1209 Fairview Avenue
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **12.** 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Eleventh Street Baptist Church
1035 Kenton Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Funeral Service

DEC **12.** 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - December 11, 2023 at 04:10 PM

MH

May God bless the Ashby family. Praying

Mary Hendricks - December 12, 2023 at 12:58 PM

KE

“ *So very sorry for your Loss! Sending Love and Hugs!*

Kenna - December 18, 2023 at 04:13 PM

LF

“ *Larry Franklin lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Larry Franklin - December 15, 2023 at 12:37 PM

RP

“ Raymond & Robbie Potter lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Raymond & Robbie Potter - December 12, 2023 at 02:04 PM

RP

“ Raymond & Robbie Potter lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Raymond & Robbie Potter - December 12, 2023 at 01:59 PM

DS

“ My sincere condolences to Henry's family. He was my All-State Insurance agent for 20 years, and he was one of the nicest and kindest people I ever knew. I was friends with his son, James, who obviously was raised to be the kind, sweet and nice man he was by his wonderful parents. I'm so sorry for the loss of both of them. The world was better with them here.



Denise Shouse - December 12, 2023 at 08:30 AM

SW

“ Praying for Greg and the family.



Simone Whitney - December 12, 2023 at 12:45 AM

BW

“ Praying for the family.



Barbara Whitney - December 12, 2023 at 12:42 AM

GW

“ Praying for the family.



Gerald/ Barbara Whitney - December 12, 2023 at 12:40 AM

DC

“ Dr. And Mrs. LaMark Carver lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Dr. And Mrs. LaMark Carver - December 12, 2023 at 12:37 AM

DL

“ *Delores Bolling And Melly Lee lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Delores Bolling and Melly Lee - December 11, 2023 at 11:36 PM

JC

“ *Junius and I loved some Henry & Stella. Henry was most definitely my dash hound friend* ❤️ ❤️ ❤️

Jayne Carpenter - December 11, 2023 at 07:14 PM

RR

“ *Roger Ray lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Roger Ray - December 10, 2023 at 02:30 AM

RR

“ *Rev R Ray lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Rev R Ray - December 10, 2023 at 02:29 AM

LC

“ *Lisa Cook lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Lisa Cook - December 09, 2023 at 03:01 PM

GH

“ *Gayle Hampton lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Gayle Hampton - December 09, 2023 at 09:10 AM

LA

“ *Condolences to the entire families.*



Linda and Brittany Atkins - December 08, 2023 at 08:05 PM

HS

“ *Henry & Mirt Shelton lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Henry & Mirt Shelton - December 07, 2023 at 06:26 PM

NF

“ *Nell Ruth Hill & Family lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Nell Ruth Hill & Family - December 07, 2023 at 06:24 PM

KF

“ *Kenneth & Shirley Fant lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Kenneth & Shirley Fant - December 07, 2023 at 03:26 PM

GC

“ *Gwen Coats lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Gwen Coats - December 07, 2023 at 01:19 PM

DC

“ *Darlene Cosby Collins lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Darlene Cosby Collins - December 07, 2023 at 12:27 PM

DF

“ Donald Lightfoot & Family lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Donald Lightfoot & Family - December 07, 2023 at 11:10 AM

WB

“ Wathetta Buford lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Wathetta Buford - December 07, 2023 at 10:48 AM

RF

“ Henry Ashby was a real statesman. A man of integrity. He was my family's insurance agent for several years. Always offered positive life guidance and support. A person that will be truly missed by many.

Rick Starks & Family - December 07, 2023 at 08:43 AM

GH

“ Gayle Hampton lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.



Gayle Hampton - December 06, 2023 at 11:46 PM

DB

“ *Deborah Boards lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Deborah Boards - December 06, 2023 at 04:32 PM

MB

“ *Marvin And Kenetha Bryant lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Marvin and Kenetha Bryant - December 06, 2023 at 04:00 PM

ME

“ *My condolences and prayers to the family!*



Melody - December 06, 2023 at 12:59 PM

RW

“ *I remember Henry from the Allstate Insurance booth at the downtown BG Sears store. I had many pleasant conversations with him. A true gentleman! Rick Williams*

Rick Williams - December 06, 2023 at 11:17 AM

EH

“ *Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Estella Hill - December 06, 2023 at 10:15 AM

RM

“ *Rachel Murrell lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Rachel Murrell - December 06, 2023 at 09:25 AM

FA

“ *Frank Alexander lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Frank Alexander - December 06, 2023 at 08:55 AM

WA

“ *Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Wanda Anthony - December 05, 2023 at 11:25 PM

DC

“ *Deborah Claypool lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Deborah Claypool - December 05, 2023 at 11:10 PM

ET

“ *Sending condolences to the Ashby Family you are in my Prayers*



Eugenia Todd - December 05, 2023 at 10:30 PM

GH

“ *Geneva Higgins lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Geneva Higgins - December 05, 2023 at 10:27 PM

MW

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Ashby family*



Mona Ware - December 05, 2023 at 10:22 PM

LL

“ *Lori Lowery lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Lori Lowery - December 05, 2023 at 08:59 PM

SR

“ *Sonya Ray lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Sonya Ray - December 05, 2023 at 07:30 PM

DD

“ *Donald & Joanna Daniels sent a virtual gift in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Donald & Joanna Daniels - December 05, 2023 at 07:12 PM



“ *Berona Massey lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Berona Massey - December 05, 2023 at 06:46 PM

PW

“ *Peggy Smith Whitney lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Peggy Smith Whitney - December 05, 2023 at 05:10 PM

TW

“ *Tracy Whitney lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Tracy Whitney - December 05, 2023 at 04:45 PM

GB

“ *Gladys M Beason lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Gladys M Beason - December 05, 2023 at 03:18 PM

BP

“ *Barbara Page lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Barbara Page - December 05, 2023 at 03:17 PM

SA

“ *Sherry Allen sent a virtual gift in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Sherry Allen - December 05, 2023 at 02:03 PM

WW

“ *William Walker lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



William walker - December 05, 2023 at 12:42 PM

PF

“ *Patsy Fant lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Patsy Fant - December 05, 2023 at 12:01 PM

RC

“ *Regina Caulfield lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Regina Caulfield - December 05, 2023 at 10:15 AM

NM

“ *Nathaniel Bernadine Martin lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Nathaniel Bernadine Martin - December 05, 2023 at 09:14 AM

SH

“ *Shawna & Cardine Harrison sent a virtual gift in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Shawna & Cardine Harrison - December 05, 2023 at 08:37 AM

DB

“ *David & Wilma Buford lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



David & Wilma Buford - December 05, 2023 at 07:38 AM

CH

“ *Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of Henry B. Ashby Jr.*



Cheryl Hewitt - December 05, 2023 at 04:59 AM



“ *Dear Ashby Family,*

There are few things more difficult than dealing with the loss of a loved one. We, along with our staff, are honored and humbled that you have chosen our family to care for your family during this time. It is our hope that we have been able, in some small way, to lighten your burden and give proper reverence to a life lived. Please let us know if we can be of further service.



Respectfully,

*Carmen, Cedric, Claudia and Kelly
2nd Generation Owners*

Cedric Burnam - December 05, 2023 at 03:31 AM