



John R. Byrd

March 12, 1934 - February 3, 2020

Mr. John Raymond “Baby” Byrd . . .

Born March 12, 1934, in Bowling, Kentucky, to the late Walter Byrd and Sue Hazel Sublett Byrd, gained his eternal rest at the Greenwood Nursing Rehabilitation Center in, Bowling Green, KY, on Monday, February 3, 2020, at the generous age of 85 years.

John attended State Street High School and retired from the Army of the United States after 26 years of service. At an early age, John was a member of the Seventh Street Baptist Church. At present, John was a faithful and dedicated member of First Baptist Rockfield.

“Baby” as those closest to John called him was a golfer and enjoyed watching golf on TV. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, playing cards, and going hunting. John would get up early go out hunt rabbits, bring them home cook rabbit and gravy and whip up some of the best biscuits from scratch that you have ever eaten to go along with it.

John was previously employed by American National Bank and Murray Guard, providing security for both places. John also worked for the Warren County Sheriffs Department as a Deputy Jailer for six years.

John was married to the love of his life Norma Gene Smith Byrd, who

preceded him in death, along with sons, Josephus Byrd, Bradford Byrd; and siblings, Donna M. Baker, Walter E. "Buddy" Byrd, and Wilhelmina Byrd-Whitney.

John "Baby" Byrd leaves to honor and cherish his memory his children, Rev. Brian Keith (Cheryl) Smith, Nashville, TN, Minister Boris Kaelin Byrd, Bowling Green, KY, Brenda Karol Byrd-Solomon, Bridgeport, CT, Bridgette Konstance Smith, and Donna Byrd, both of Bowling Green, KY; 5 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Phillip Byrd, Alfred "Laney" Bowman, Anna L. Young, Geraldine Banks, Vanice Jones, Marsha Byrd, Regina Bowman, all of Bowling Green, KY, Judith Roney, Indianapolis, IN; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. A special thank you to John's grandson Andreas Solomon who was very devoted to taking care of his grandfather and his niece Melanie Edison who was faithful in seeing that John often had a lovely home-cooked meal when he was at home.

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son

Cemetery Details

First Baptist Church - Rockfield Cemetery

428 Rockfield Church Road
Rockfield, KY 42274

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CST)

First Baptist Church - Rockfield
428 Rockfield Church Road
Rockfield, KY 42274
<http://firstbaptistrockfield.org/>

Funeral Service

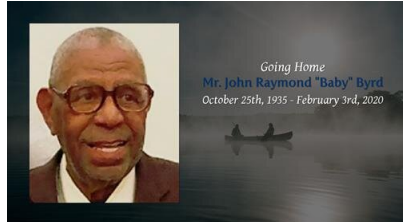
FEB 8. 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM (CST)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John R. Byrd*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - February 07, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ *To the family of John Byrd you have my deepest sympathy and you all are in my prayers!!*

Chiquita Sparks - February 10, 2020 at 09:26 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family. The slide tribute really tells the story of your. I know that your Dad is Resting in the arms of the Lord, your mother and Brad. Their love will always be with you and your family. Love you guys ,be blessed*



Cynthia King - February 08, 2020 at 07:45 PM

AB

“ *Brenda Byrd Solomon, To one of my very best friends since high school & to the entire Byrd family: You have my deepest & sincere sympathy for the loss of your father. Mr. Byrd was a very honorable nice man and when every I was around him, he was always sweet & pleasant to be around. May he Rest In Peace. Remember the beautiful times shared with him & know that God will be with you through this difficult time now & always. Forever in his care, your sister friend with much Love, Anita Butts* 🙏



Anita Butts - February 08, 2020 at 07:30 PM

EH

“ *Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Estella Hill - February 08, 2020 at 03:57 PM

RP

“ *Raymond & Robbie Potter sent a virtual gift in memory of John R. Byrd*



Raymond & Robbie Potter - February 08, 2020 at 11:13 AM

CW

“ Whitney Family



Cedric Whitney - February 08, 2020 at 07:17 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John R. Byrd.



February 07, 2020 at 08:34 PM

FG

“ Faye Gamble lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Faye gamble - February 07, 2020 at 07:39 PM

RF

“ Rev. & Mrs. Lee Fishback lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Rev. & Mrs. Lee Fishback - February 07, 2020 at 06:41 PM

BW

“ *Brenda Williams lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Brenda williams - February 07, 2020 at 04:20 PM

WJ

“ *Winifred Johnson lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Winifred Johnson - February 07, 2020 at 12:01 PM

KG

“ *Kim & Kevin Grainger lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Kim & Kevin Grainger - February 07, 2020 at 11:23 AM

MC

“ *Mt. Union Missionary Baptist Church sent a virtual gift in memory of John R. Byrd*



Mt.Union Missionary Baptist Church - February 07, 2020 at 10:15 AM

MC

"I'm Free Praise The Lord I'm Free No Mountains Are To High Valleys To Low I've Crossed Over Them And Through Them Both And Seen The Promise Land Hallelujah Praise The Lord My Soul Has Now Been Set Free"

The Members & Pastor

Extend our deepest heartfelt condolences to the entire Family of Mr. John Byrd . We continue to pray for each of you that you will find in knowing there's comfort and strength in Jesus Christ, The Author & Finisher of Our Faith. To Rev. Byrd's , Smith & Family , Our prayers remain with each of you in the day's ahead May Gods peace be with you all.

Humbly Submitted

*Mt. Union Missionary Baptist Church,
Rev. Charles L. Fishback, Pastor
Sis. Tina Fant, Bereavement Comm.*

Mt. Union Missionary Baptist Church - February 08, 2020 at 11:15 AM

ZF

*“ Zora Frederick purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of John R. Byrd.*



Zora Frederick - February 07, 2020 at 08:21 AM

ZF

*“ Zora Frederick lit a candle in memory of John
R. Byrd*



Zora Frederick - February 07, 2020 at 07:53 AM

KF

“ Kenneth & Shirley Fant lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Kenneth & Shirley Fant - February 06, 2020 at 10:13 PM

LB

“ Linda Bradley lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Linda Bradley - February 06, 2020 at 09:08 PM

PW

“ Peggy Whitney lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Peggy Whitney - February 06, 2020 at 06:27 PM

LI

“ LIVELY-CLARK lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



LIVELY-CLARK - February 06, 2020 at 05:56 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John R. Byrd.*



February 06, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of John R. Byrd.*



February 06, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *Delores Holland lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Delores Holland - February 06, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ *Nikki Perry lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Nikki Perry - February 06, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ *Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Wanda Anthony - February 06, 2020 at 04:22 AM



“ *Keely Simone lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Keely Simone - February 05, 2020 at 10:05 PM



“ *Keely Simone Jones*



Keely Simone - February 05, 2020 at 10:04 PM



“ *Betty Rounds lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Betty Rounds - February 05, 2020 at 07:10 PM

FC

“ Florence W Claypool lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Florence W Claypool - February 05, 2020 at 06:16 PM

GR

“ Gail Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Gail Rasmussen - February 05, 2020 at 05:00 PM

GB

“ Gladys Beason lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Gladys Beason - February 05, 2020 at 12:29 PM

BP

“ Barb Page lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Barb Page - February 05, 2020 at 12:29 PM



“ *Marian Benton lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Marian Benton - February 05, 2020 at 10:18 AM

DF

“ *Dawn Ferguson lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Dawn Ferguson - February 05, 2020 at 10:06 AM

MF

“ *Wishing the family peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts 🙏🙏*



Mrs. Hannah Whitney & Family - February 05, 2020 at 08:15 AM

LC

“ *Lisa Cook lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Lisa Cook - February 05, 2020 at 07:49 AM

EB

“ Edward And Deborah Bufford lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Edward and Deborah Bufford - February 05, 2020 at 01:07 AM

TF

“ Tina Fant lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Tina Fant - February 04, 2020 at 08:45 PM

LV

“ Linda Valentine lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Linda Valentine - February 04, 2020 at 08:15 PM

JB

“ Jerline Bunton lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Jerline Bunton - February 04, 2020 at 08:15 PM

MB

“ *Miss. Jerline Bunton lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Miss. Jerline Bunton - February 04, 2020 at 08:14 PM

DJ

“ *Debra Jewell lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Debra jewell - February 04, 2020 at 07:24 PM

LM

“ *Lolita Martin lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



lolita martin - February 04, 2020 at 05:39 PM

LW

“ *Loretha Withrow lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Loretha Withrow - February 04, 2020 at 05:22 PM

CH

“ CharlettaRay lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



CharlettaRay - February 04, 2020 at 04:48 PM



“ Frank Alexander lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Frank Alexander - February 04, 2020 at 01:25 PM

RB

“ Regina Bowman lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Regina Bowman - February 04, 2020 at 12:52 PM

BM

“ Berona Massey lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd



Berona Massey - February 04, 2020 at 11:55 AM

CH

“ *Cardine & Shawna Harrison lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Cardine & Shawna Harrison - February 04, 2020 at 10:50 AM

KC

“ *Kenny & Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Kenny & Crisandra Coleman - February 04, 2020 at 09:29 AM

SB

“ *Many prayers and condolences to the family in your time of bereavement*

Skiles&Willa Blewett - February 04, 2020 at 08:52 AM

SA

“ *Sharon Greg Andrews lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Sharon greg Andrews - February 04, 2020 at 08:40 AM

RG

“ *Ron And Carmen Green sent a virtual gift in memory of John R. Byrd*



Ron and Carmen green - February 04, 2020 at 08:33 AM



“ *Deborah Claypool lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Deborah Claypool - February 04, 2020 at 08:01 AM

DB

“ *Dano & Dewanda Byrd lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Dano & Dewanda Byrd - February 04, 2020 at 07:49 AM

SC

“ *Suzie Carrpenter lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



suzie carrpenter - February 04, 2020 at 07:06 AM

NM

“ *Nathaniel-Bernadine Martin lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



Nathaniel-Bernadine Martin - February 04, 2020 at 05:20 AM

CH

“ *Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of John R. Byrd*



cheryl hewitt - February 04, 2020 at 03:46 AM



“ *Dear Byrd 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 - February 04, 2020 at 01:28 AM