



## Bud Smedley

March 25, 1937 - August 8, 2020

Bud Smedley died on Saturday, August 8th, after a long battle with Alzheimer's. Bud was born in 1937 in West Virginia, the youngest child of Joe G. Smedley and Gladys Trell Stevens Smedley. He is predeceased by his parents, a sister (Ramona Smedley Davis), and a brother (Joe G. Smedley, Jr.). He will be greatly missed in the lives of his survivors: wife, June Wilson Smedley, daughter, Kim Masino, and husband Bill, son, Stuart K. Smedley and wife Berna, and chosen son Russ Taff and wife Tori. Bud was blessed with eight incredible grandchildren: Bill Masino III (Marina), Mandy Robertson (Danton), Danny Masino (Mallory), Maddie Rose Taff, Charlotte Taff, Amy Patton (Wesley), David Koller (Ann), and Seth Smedley (Leah), and a sister, Mina Stephens. He had four great-grandchildren: Elora and Ender Robertson and Brennen and Brailyn Koller. He loved his in-law siblings like his own: Lynn Wilson (Betty) and Gail Hayre (Sam). There are far too many nieces and nephews to list names (and friends who were like family) but Bud loved them all. Bud graduated from Fountain Lake School in 1955 where he got a

good education and a wife. He and June were married for 64 years. He was a cabinet-maker and was founder/owner of Smedley Cabinets for thirty-three years, following the tradition of his father and brother. He was a Christian since his teen years, and was a man of character, honesty, kindness and love. He was also a funny guy who loved to tease and laugh. Due to the uncertainty associated with the pandemic, memorial services will be held at Hot Springs Funeral Home on Wednesday, August 12th at 2:00 P.M. with a private, family only, service. There will be no visitation. In lieu of flowers, use what you might have spent and help someone who is struggling during these crazy times. Bud would have wanted it that way. The family would like to express sincere gratitude to Susie and Roger Reid and their staff at Abundant Life Care Home where Bud has been so lovingly and compassionately cared for during the last year and a half.

# Tribute Wall

GN

“ Always, the memories of Bud, and the Smedley family @ Fountain Lake Methodist Church during the 50's & 60's.

*Blessings to that remarkable family.*

*Garry Newman*

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**Garry Newman** - August 13, 2020 at 03:27 PM

LB

“ Have many fond memories with Bud and June who are some of my brother Gene,s best friends when I was young. Bud will be sorely missed by not only his family; also all the lives he has touched, he was a kind soul and someone you loved to be around. June I always loved y'all. My prayers are with you and the whole family. Tell Betty and Lynn hello for me.

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**Larry Beckwith** - August 12, 2020 at 07:41 PM

BC

“ Prayers. Sorry for your loss.

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**Brian Curtis** - August 12, 2020 at 02:16 PM

RH

“ I can't help but reminisce of all the fun and laughs we had with Mr. Smedley. Always funny and kind! Mrs. Smedley, Kim and family you were jut like part of my family when we were growing up. I could not have asked for better people to share those years with. I ❤️ You Mr. Smedley and hope you and my mom will watch over us till we see you again. 🙏 for all of the family, love you!

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**Rhonda Marvel Hall** - August 12, 2020 at 01:48 PM

MB

“ To our special Smedley family,

*What a privilege it is to have known Bud and to be family friends for a long time. He will be remembered as a gentleman. We are praying for peace and comfort for you all during this difficult time.*

*Much Love,  
The Buck Family*



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**Mandy Buck** - August 12, 2020 at 01:31 PM

KW

“ Ms. June so sorry for your loss. Mr. Bud was so kind and I never saw him without a smile. When he would come over to the shop he always said hi. Mr. Bud and Houston Bates ( my dad )ily were good friends. Mr. Bud and I had the same birthday and a few times I called in to US 97 had our birthdays announced over the radio. You and your family are in my Prayers 🙏🙏🥹

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**Karen Woodall** - August 12, 2020 at 02:14 AM

NC

“ I was so very sorry to hear of your loss! Make God give you strength and comfort as only He can. You will be in my thoughts and prayers!

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**Nancy Simpson Copeland** - August 11, 2020 at 11:24 PM

CV

“ Mrs. Smedley, as I knew you, and still being respectful to this day! My heart and mind has so many fond memories of Bud and all of you! Dad (Preach) worked with Bud for so many years that he was almost like an uncle to me. Such a All around, stand out man! He and Dad had that same crazy Love of sawdust!! Sure hope the Good Lord blesses you June, Stuart and Kim, and all your families during this difficult time!! Love and prayers for all! RIP Mr. Bud Smedley!!

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**Chuck Veazey** - August 11, 2020 at 08:17 PM

JW

“ June and Family,  
My prayers are with you at this time of loss. You have the blessed hope of seeing him again for an eternity.  
Janice Weige

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**Janice Weige** - August 11, 2020 at 03:47 PM

BB

“ I honor Mr. Smedley very much. I honor the Smedley family. I thank him for his excellent influence of how to be a fun Dad, a loving Husband, a excellent Friend and a reliable Neighbor had on me as a teenager and young man. I hope I come close to his example. He definitely earned his time in paradise....all my thoughts with you Mrs. Smedley...all my love and my families love at this time and always. Brian Bettencourt and family (Bittle's and Turnages)

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**Brian Bettencourt** - August 11, 2020 at 12:58 PM

EC

“ Just wanted to pass on to you all that I have some very warm memories of Mr. Bud. I especially remember when he asked, me and was very concerned, about dad giving him a turned staff (walking stick) and a fold up rocking chair that dad had made. He said that when dad gave the staff to him dad said he was "passing the staff" (and it was just a few days later that dad passed) Bud asked me what dad had meant; was it a masonic lodge thing? I told him that I didn't know what dad had meant but that mom and my brothers had been wondering where the sass-a-frass rocker had gone. Mom thought someone had stolen it out of the shop and was glad to know it had not been stolen. Dad and Bud were both amazing craftsmen and wonderful examples of true gentlemen. I know you will miss him every day, but remember that he has earned his "REST". With love and respect, Eddie Culpepper


Eddie Culpepper - August 11, 2020 at 11:20 AM

DD

“ June, Stuart, Kim and family. We have you in our thoughts and prayers. Peace of the Lord be with you at this time. Pat & Debby Doherty



Deborah Doherty - August 11, 2020 at 10:40 AM

 Karen Jordan

“ Thank you, June, for sharing your stories of Bud. Although I never had the pleasure of meeting him, I feel like I knew him through your stories. Praying for your family and friends as you celebrate Bud's life.

Karen Jordan - August 11, 2020 at 07:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bud Smedley.*



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August 10, 2020 at 02:09 PM



“ *Mrs. June, Stuart and Kim, I'm sorry for your loss. He is healed! PTL God Bless your family.*

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**Donna Nobles Belote** - August 10, 2020 at 02:08 PM



“ *Dear June,  
We are so very sorry to learn of Bud's death and it's so difficult not to be able to be there with you, Stuart and Kim. Bud was such a nice guy. Always the same: smiling, ready to help anyone with anything. It's hard to believe that so many years have gone by but we have so many memories of all of you and they are dear to us. Know that we are thinking of you and keeping you close in our hearts and prayers.*

*Jane and Jim Randall*

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**Jane Randall** - August 10, 2020 at 12:48 PM

CC

“ Twenty years ago this month, Bud was one of the very last people my late father, Conley Culpepper, absolutely insisted on visiting in his final few days before he passed away. They had a mutual admiration society built on a shared love of sawdust.

That day Dad presented Bud with a couple of items built in his own workshop: a walking stick and a one-of-a-kind cypress folding rocking chair of which he was especially proud. I can only presume Dad wanted Bud to have those things to somewhat repay the hours of advice and assistance Bud had provided, but probably most important to him, to mark their many years of friendship with something he'd crafted from wood. I'm convinced they'll reconnect now and eternally knock around new and better ideas to building cedar chests.

I'm truly grateful my Dad had such a devoted friend in Bud.

To June, Kim & Bill, Stuart and all the rest of your family ... please know that our family truly understands the loss you feel, and we also share in your love of Bud. You remain in our hearts and in our prayers.

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**Chip Culpepper** - August 10, 2020 at 12:36 PM

SC

“ So very sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort and peace for you all. Love and hugs, Sandy Tyler Covey

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**Sandy Tyler Covey** - August 10, 2020 at 12:32 PM

JB

“ So sorry for your loss praying for peace and comfort for you and your family.

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**Joy Bryant-Webb** - August 10, 2020 at 10:56 AM

AF

“ Praying for you as you deal with this loss. May God bring you comfort during this time. Much love, Avis Wilson Fortner

Avis Wilson Fortner - August 10, 2020 at 09:35 AM

JR

“ My mom and dad thought Bud and June hung the moon and then made it shine. I'll be forever grateful for that.

I'm very sorry for your loss.

J.M. Rowe - August 10, 2020 at 08:28 AM

SL

“ I know Bud is in a better place. And I know I he will be missed until we see him again in Heaven. My thoughts and prayers are with y'all. Love and peace Susy Katz Lehr

Susy Lehr - August 10, 2020 at 12:14 AM

MT

“ June and family, so sorry to hear about Bud. Thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Kenneth & Marlene Tillery



Marlene Tillery - August 09, 2020 at 11:25 PM

DB

“ Sending our thoughts, love and prayers to all the family and friends.



Danny & Judy Borland  
Fairfield, Montana

Danny & Judy Borland - August 09, 2020 at 10:37 PM

SR

“ June, Stuart & Kim, please accept our sincerest condolences. We look back with fondness at our time together at Trinity in the very early '80's. In fact, I think you guys were the first to get a Chrysler minivan and, after seeing yours, we knew we just had to have one, too! That was such an exciting time with a new church & new friends, and the Smedleys were some of the most welcoming! Know we are holding you in our prayers! Tom & Sue Rupp

Sue Rupp - August 09, 2020 at 09:23 PM

LB

“ June and family, though I never had the privilege of knowing Bud personally, the love shared by you to him speaks volumes of the husband, father and grandfather he was. Always love June sharing stories of Bud and the many years they had together. He was loved well, and now is resting in the arms of our Savior. He has won his battle and finished well. My love to you all! Linda Barnes

Linda Barnes - August 09, 2020 at 06:46 PM

MT

“ June and family, so sorry to hear about Bud. Our thoughts and prayers to the family.  
Kenneth & Marlene Tillery

Marlene J Tillery - August 09, 2020 at 06:02 PM

RL

“ Bud was a great neighbor, didn't get to know him for long, but he left good impressions on me. Bob Lee



Robert Lee - August 09, 2020 at 05:47 PM