



Don "Bucky" Sanders

November 15, 1930 - February 17, 2019

Don Floyd Sanders "Bucky", 88, of Hot Springs entered his eternal life with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, February 17, 2019. He made the peaceful transition to Heaven surrounded by his beloved wife and grandchildren. Bucky was the eldest son of the late Rev. George and Fannie Sanders. Bucky was a lifelong resident of Hot Springs and a lifetime member of the First Pentecostal Church.

Sanders was predeceased by his son, Rev. Don F. Sanders, Jr; two brothers, George James Sanders Jr. "Jim" and William Dean Sanders "Beans"; one sister and brother-in-law, Eugene and Mary Laverne Cook.

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Frankie Sanders of Hot Springs, Arkansas; daughter-in-law, Karen Sanders of Tulsa, Oklahoma; five grandchildren, Courtney Sanders, Brittany and Devin Duffield, Chase and Stephani Sanders, Channing and Daniel Pope all of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Adam and Ruthie Sanders of Frisco, Texas; one brother, Herschel and Wanda Sanders of Hideaway, Texas and sisters-in-law, Linda and Judy Sanders.

Sanders was affectionately known to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren as "Grand-daddy." He is survived by ten great-grandchildren, Tristan, Braedon and Hudson Duffield, Tucker and Piper Sanders, Lucy and Emma Pope, Tovah, Ziva and Ardon Sanders.

Bucky Sanders received recognition across the nation for his service as a graduate of the United States Army Airborne School as a military parachutist of the United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia. His love for the Word of God was reflected in his diligent study as he graduated from the Agape Bible College in Little Rock, Arkansas.

He was dedicated to a life of service. After his service to our country as a member of the United States Army, Bucky trained as a Firefighter, First Class, before his retirement after 21 years of service. He received the American Legion Award for lifetime Membership as part of the United States Armed Services and The John Edgar Hoover Memorial Gold Medal for Distinguished Public Service Award.

While working with the Hot Springs Fire Department, he continued his education as a lifelong student and began his career in Security Services.

Bucky founded, owned and operated Sanders Security, Inc. in Hot Springs for 50 years. He was a licensed security guard for 50 years and was founder and owner of The Casket Store in Hot Springs. In 2006, Sanders became a lifetime licensed funeral director for the State of Arkansas through the Arkansas Board of Embalming and Funeral Directing.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Hot Springs Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be 10:00 AM Thursday at the First Pentecostal Church, 222 East Grand Avenue with Reverend Adam Sanders and Reverend Chase Sanders officiating. Burial will be at Crestview Memorial Park.

Tribute Wall

BM

“ Frankie I'm sorry to hear about Bucky. You are in my prayers. Love
Beebe Mc

Beebe Mc - February 23, 2019 at 02:22 PM

MS

“ Mark, Piper, Carson & Connor Sanders
purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Don
"Bucky" Sanders.



Mark, Piper, Carson & Connor Sanders - February 20, 2019 at
01:43 PM

DG

“ I've known Bucky and Frankie Sanders and the Sanders family all
my life. Bucky was a wonderful friend. I never knew a time that
Bucky wasn't smiling, laughing and had a joke to tell or a prank to
pull. We've sat and chatted over many cups of coffee, whether it
was at the Casket Store or the Waffle House. We'd sit and discuss
the latest local news or just life in general. Bucky was a generous
man. He had a heart for others and would do what he could for
folks. He loved Jesus with all his heart and it showed. This world will
be more of an empty place without Bucky Sanders in it. But heaven
will be so much sweeter. Until we meet again, rest in Jesus my
friend. My deepest condolences to Frankie and all the Sanders
family.

Dennis Gamble - February 20, 2019 at 09:02 AM

BD

“ Bucky was a great man. So very sorry to hear of his passing. My prayers and condolences to family and friends. ...
Bill Bunny Dever

Bill Bunny Dever - February 19, 2019 at 11:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Don "Bucky" Sanders.



February 19, 2019 at 04:36 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Don "Bucky" Sanders.



February 19, 2019 at 03:39 PM

JC

“ *A truly great friend who will be missed by many. I will always remember the laughs and smile that Bucky ALWAYS had.*

Jim Chidester - February 19, 2019 at 08:37 AM

BK

“ *Becky Ketchum sent a virtual gift in memory of Don "Bucky" Sanders*



becky ketchum - February 19, 2019 at 07:58 AM

YG

“ *Your Grandbabies purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Don "Bucky" Sanders.*



Your Grandbabies - February 18, 2019 at 04:01 PM