



## Douglas Boyd

July 3, 1938 - January 26, 2023

Douglas Boyd, age 84 of Ashland City, Tennessee, passed away on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at Centennial Medical Center in Nashville.

Funeral services will be conducted at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View at 2:00PM on Saturday, January 28th, with Marvis West officiating. Burial will follow at EverRest of Cheatham with his nephews serving as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Saturday, from 11:00AM until the hour of service at 2:00PM.

Mr. Boyd was born on July 3, 1938 in Ashland City, Tennessee to the late George & Jessie Cothren Boyd. Douglas graduated from Cheatham County High school where he was an outstanding football and basketball player. He was inducted into the Cheatham County Sports Hall of Fame in 2021. Douglas retired from the Tennessee Department of Transportation after 43 years of service. He loved to spend time in the garden, go to Kentucky, fish, hunt, go to any auction and play golf. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brothers, James, Clarence, Jewel, Tony and Jimmy Boyd; sisters Katie Darrow, Edith Hargrove and Virginia Gibbs.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years Frances Ann Hunter Boyd; daughter, Wendy Boyd of Sweetwater, Tn.; son & daughter-in-law, Adam and Laura Boyd of Naples, Fl.; three precious grandchildren, Hunter & Mackenzie Boyd and Kimora Lyon; sisters, Nellie Perry and Lillie Davidson; sister-in-law, Joyce Boyd; and his furry friend, Gus.

If so desired, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Pl., Memphis, Tn 38105.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in Pleasant View is in charge of these arrangements.



# Cemetery Details

## EverRest of Cheatham

Hwy 49  
Pleasant View, TN 37146

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 28.** 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home, Pleasant View  
6316 Hwy 41A  
Pleasant View, TN 37146  
(615) 746-4433  
<https://austinandbell.com>

## Funeral Service

**JAN 28.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

WS

“ *Deepest sympathy to the entire family! Mr. Boyd was good friends and playmates with my father. The entire Strain Family sends prayers to the family during this difficult time. My sister, Wynnette and I will definitely miss him!*

*With love,  
The Strain Family*

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**Warrene Strain** - February 13, 2023 at 12:23 PM

FB

*Thank you. He loved your family.*

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**Frances Boyd** - February 15, 2023 at 11:21 AM

LB

“ *Frances Ann,  
I am so very sorry for your loss.  
Linda Brunner*

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**Linda Brunner** - February 03, 2023 at 07:18 PM

LS

“ *Mrs. Boyd & family, I am so sorry for your loss and I'm sorry I was unable to tell you this personally. Mr. Doug was the highlight of my time working at the Register's Office; I always looked forward to his visits and the challenges they could entail as well as learning the history of the various properties he was getting ready to survey. He was truly a wonderful man and will be sorely missed. My deepest sympathies to your family.  
Lou Ann Steele*

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**LOU ANN STEELE** - January 31, 2023 at 09:59 AM

KR

“ *Doug was a wonderful friend. Always enjoyed buying the vegetables in the summer. His memories will live on in your hearts. My deepest sympathy to you all*

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**Kathy Reed** - January 30, 2023 at 05:49 PM

KT

“ Frances, I'm sure you know how much Kevin and I loved you and Doug. After taking over the veggie and flower sells, I admired you both so much more. It is not the easy task that Doug always seemed to make it. Between the trips to Ky and all the loading and unloading... I really don't know how y'all did it. We truly loved and appreciated when we came back with our truck and trailer full and Doug showed up in the golf cart and his eyes sparkled at all we had bought. Or the times he walked over to peek in the trailer and and sit to share so many wonderful memories and stories with us. We feel so truly blessed to be neighbors and love you all as if you were our family.  
We enjoyed the times of fireworks with the kids our just chatting with you guys.  
Please know that we are here for you and love you all very much.

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**Kevin and Andi Thompson** - January 30, 2023 at 11:24 AM



“ Mrs. Boyd,

*I am so very sorry that I was not able to be there in person today to pay my respects to that wonderful man and extend my condolences to you and your family. It would be very difficult to overstate the importance that Doug Boyd had in my life as well as my family's. From the time we “got off the boat” in our move from Pennsylvania your husband showered us with authentic unmerited grace. So much so, that when I get to Glory and we meet up again I will not be the least bit surprised to find out he was an angel tasked with making the Brown family's move to the South far less traumatic than it could have been. I recall that even after meeting him just one time thinking, “Maybe there is something to this Southern hospitality thing.” After Mr Boyd found out I was an avid bowhunter and had nowhere to hunt he invited me immediately, on the very next Saturday to criss-cross the county so he could introduce me to all his land-owning friends. Each and every one of those folks gave the new-kid-in-town hunting privileges on their farms. That was such a generous thing to do. What a warm welcome into the community where we were to spend the next nearly 27 years. As if that wasn't enough, it was Doug Boyd who came to me and said I need to take a look at the “old Barnes' place as it was up for sale. He then walked us on a tour of every inch of that property at a blistering pace that neither I nor my wife could keep up with. Like so many properties in the county he had surveyed it and knew every hill and holler like the back of his hand. We bought that 55 acres just a little bit after he took us on the first tour and have been enjoying it ever since. Then lastly I'll mention the steady stream of Cheatham County's finest home-grown vegetables delivered personally to our front door. He taught an entire family of Yankees to love grilled okra right along with all the other delicious produce so many of us Cheathamites have enjoyed over the last two decades. He was so gratified in knowing how much joy the fruits... and vegetables of his labor brought to this community. He was truly a man with a servant's heart. It is hard for me to accept the fact that I will never see his name on my appointment schedule again. I will look forward to when we will feast in the House of Zion where I am sure his okra will be front and center.*

*Grace and Peace my dear friend, and to you Mrs. Boyd a heart-felt thanks as he would have never made it to 84 without your care and steadfast commitment to his well-being.*

*Doc Brown*

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**Scott Brown** - January 28, 2023 at 10:14 PM

FB

*Thank you for sharing your memories of Douglas. What a heart felt tribute. Our family will forever be grateful for your loving care. The Boyd Family*

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**FRANCES BOYD** - January 29, 2023 at 07:01 PM

JT

“ My deepest sympathy to you, Frances Ann, and to your family in the loss of Doug. I know you have many memories of a very happy and loving life together. May God give you peace and strength.

Jean Gregory Porch of Franklin, TN - January 28, 2023 at 09:25 AM



“ 85 files added to the album LifeTributes



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - January 27, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas Boyd.



January 27, 2023 at 03:09 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Douglas Boyd.



January 27, 2023 at 02:30 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Douglas Boyd.



January 27, 2023 at 02:01 PM

DG

“ *Donnie & Jerri Gupton lit a candle in memory of Douglas Boyd*



Donnie & Jerri Gupton - January 27, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Douglas Boyd.*



January 27, 2023 at 11:51 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas Boyd.*



January 27, 2023 at 10:20 AM

WS

“ *Doug, was a kind, sweet, friendly man! Hard working, as long as he could! Know he loved his precious family! He is at rest, no more pain!*

Willerdean Smith - January 27, 2023 at 09:38 AM

DS

“ *I met Doug in 2012 when my wife and purchased our retirement land from Al & Rosemary Klein and he surveyed it and we became friends. He taught me how to hunt Ginseng and offered gardening insights. I especially enjoyed going over to "Amish Country" to the vegetable auction. We also shared the same Primary Care Doctor, Scott Brown. He'll truly be missed until we meet again on the other side of the "Veil". Rest in peace, my friend, and may God give you comfort, Frances Ann.*

*Don & Loretta Searcy*

Donald Searcy - January 26, 2023 at 11:41 PM

RK

“ Great memories abound....from Doug surveying our property, to buying fresh veggies from his fabulous garden, to enjoying his infectious smile and cheerful disposition, and on and on. We will miss you, Doug. Our love and condolences to Frances Anne, Wendy, Adam and family. May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time. We love you!

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**Rosemary Klein** - January 26, 2023 at 09:37 PM