



## James "Sarge" Ransom Washburn

July 14, 1941 - April 22, 2026

James Ransom Washburn, "Sarge" age 84 of White House passed away Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at The Residence of Alive Hospice. He was born July 14, 1941 in Shreveport, Louisiana to Ervin Grover & Mildred Goodman Washburn. Sarge proudly served his country in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He was a lifetime member of the VFW, NRA and the American Legion Post 9051 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was an avid bowler and was a songwriter, poet, played guitar and loved miniature trains and jeeps. He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Drucille Gilbert Washburn; sister, Peggy Young; great-granddaughter, Ocean Rose Paone. He is survived by his son, Robert C. (Ashley) Harris, Conroe, TX; daughters, Susan (Sean) Hamilton, Holly Springs, NC, Lavonne (Mark) Lancaster, Lanette Fletcher, both of TX and LaVita (Brandon) Fleischman, Spring Hill, TN; brother, Eddie McClaren; sisters, Judy Gill and Bennetta Bellew, all of LA; 6 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; his two feline babies, Milo and Smeagol, who will be available for adoption. There will be a Celebration of Life Memorial Service at 1pm on Saturday, May 23, 2026 at White House American Legion Post #206 with military honors. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions would be appreciated to Austin & Bell to help with cremation expenses. Payments by phone gladly accepted by calling the funeral home. ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO AUSTIN & BELL 533 Highway 76 White House, Tennessee 37188 (615)672-5000 [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)



# Upcoming Events

## Celebration of Life Memorial Service

MAY **23**. 1:00 PM (CT)

American Legion Post 206  
3321 US-31W  
White House, TN 37188-5231

# Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Buffington Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of James "Sarge" Ransom Washburn.*



---

**The Buffington Family** - April 30 at 01:09 PM

EB

“ *Jim Washburn, affectionately known as "Sarge" to all of us at VFW Post 9095, Little Rock, Arkansas, was a dear friend and true gentleman respected by all. Our family (me, my wife Kay, and daughter Heather) are saddened to lose our dear friend. Condolences and prayers for Sarge's family. Gone, but not forgotten!*

---

**Edwin Buffington** - April 23 at 06:47 PM