



Vernon Ray Costello, Sr.

January 23, 1941 - October 10, 2025

Vernon Ray Costello, Sr, age 84, of Pleasant View, Tennessee, a man whose very presence would light up a room, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, October 10, 2025. He lived his life with boundless energy, and infectious laugh, and a passion for helping others.

A celebration of Vernon's life will be held at 11 o'clock am, Wednesday, October 15th, at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View with Pastor Brad Shockley and Bro. Jerry Foust officiating.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, beginning at 9:00AM until the hour of service at 11:00AM.

Burial will follow in EverRest of Cheatham in Pleasant View with Chris Dungan, Mickey Dyce, Ronnie Anderson, Larry "Chip" Robinson, Brennen Dixon, and Eli Darnell serving as pallbearers.

Born on January 23, 1941, Vernon grew into a man known for his kindness and unwavering Christian spirit. In, his career in purchasing for Robert Orr (Sysco), his employment with State Government, and in his self-employment activities as a handyman, Vernon radiated a distinctive and unusual joy. Vernon Ray Costello can be best described as a hard-working, passionate, joyful man, who loved his Lord, loved his family, and loved living zestfully.

Vernon is a member a member of Pleasant View First Baptist Church and particularly enjoyed singing with enthusiasm the traditional hymns he learned as a youngster growing up in West Nashville.

Vernon is survived by his beloved wife of 33 years, Linda Costello; children, Jennifer Hardy (Paul), Vernon Ray Costello, Jr. (Donna and their children), stepdaughter, Anna Blythe Wyatt, stepson, Oscar Dewayne Blythe (Karen); grandchildren, Justin Blythe, Jarrett Blythe, Harrison Blythe, Emma Grace Blythe, Baylor Blythe; brother, David Costello (Sally); sisters, Mildred Klingbyll (James), Patricia Hall (Gary, now deceased), and Donna Copas (Mark). Vernon is now with his other daughter, Susan Hosaflook, who is deceased.

A favorite Bible passage from Revelation 14:13 states: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Yes, says the Spirit, they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

Vernon's good deeds are well known and will continue to live in the minds and hearts of many who were privileged to know him.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in Pleasant View is in charge of these arrangements. 6316 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, Tennessee 37146 (615) 746-4433 www.austinandbell.com

Cemetery Details

EverRest of Cheatham

Hwy 49
Pleasant View, TN 37146

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 15. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home, Pleasant View
6316 Hwy 41A
Pleasant View, TN 37146
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Funeral Service

OCT 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

OCT **15** (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JD

“ Vern Costello was one of the kindest men or women I ever had the pleasure of knowing as my brother in Christ. Vern used to deliver Rx meds to to people that could not or did not get out of their home. He told many stories about his clients/friends, Vern spent a little time with each one of them when possible. Comfort, Grace, Love, Peace & Strength to Linda & family.

Joy Drake - October 20, 2025 at 05:58 PM

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“ Joy Drake lit a candle in memory of Vernon Ray Costello, Sr.



Joy Drake - October 20, 2025 at 05:48 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Vernon Ray Costello, Sr..



October 14, 2025 at 03:12 PM



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Austin & Bell Funeral Home - October 13, 2025 at 06:55 PM



“ *David and Sally Costello purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vernon Ray Costello, Sr..*



David and Sally Costello - October 12, 2025 at 06:30 PM