



## Wayne Brown

June 15, 1973 - March 24, 2025

Larry “Wayne” Brown, age 51, of Pleasant View, Tennessee, passed away on Monday, March 24, 2025, in Nashville, Tennessee, surrounded by his devoted and loving family.

A Celebration of Life Service will be conducted, with Randy Fuqua officiating, at 1 o'clock pm, Saturday, April 5th, at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View, with family and friends sharing special memories of Wayne.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Saturday, April 5th from 12:00PM until the hour of service beginning at 1:00PM.

Wayne was born on June 15, 1973, in Madison, Tennessee, to the late Larry Thomas Brown and Em Thi Nguyen Brown Tang. He attended White House High School and went on to build a remarkable career as a flooring installer-subcontractor, working tirelessly for 33 years. Wayne's dedication to his craft was unmatched. From his very first job at 18, installing flooring at St. Thomas West, to returning 25 years later to install updated flooring. Wayne's work left his “knee print” all across Nashville. It's hard to find a building in the city that hasn't been touched by his craftsmanship. But beyond his profession, Wayne cherished the relationships he built with his crew of installers, many of whom had been with him for up to two decades. He often joked that he only took off Thanksgiving and Christmas, proud of the dedication he poured into his work.

While Wayne's work was important to him, his love for his family eclipsed everything else. He cherished every moment spent with his wife and daughters, finding joy in the simple pleasures of life: fishing, watching football, gun collecting, and enjoying a cozy night at home with a good home cooked meal, a movie, and a bowl of ice cream with his wife.

A football superfan at heart, Wayne was a devoted Steelers fan since the “age of five”, though he always cheered for the Titans too, with a special allegiance to Pittsburgh. He had an uncanny ability to predict plays, stats, and even penalties before they happened, demonstrating his unmatched knowledge and passion for the game.

But perhaps Wayne’s greatest joy came from helping others. He never sought recognition, yet he was always there for his friends, his family, or anyone in need. His kindness and generosity knew no bounds.

Wayne took immense pride in his daughters and their accomplishments. One of his proudest moments was walking his daughter, Olivia, down the aisle on October 5, 2024. He shared a deep bond with his daughter, Hannah, who shared his passion for fishing. They spent countless hours together on the water, with Hannah famously out-fishing both Wayne and his son-in-law, Ross, by just inches on Wayne's 50th birthday during a deep-sea fishing trip.

Wayne is preceded in death by his father, Larry Thomas Brown; paternal grandparents, Willie Austin and Marie Elizabeth Brown; and his mother-in-law, Shirley Clayborn.

He is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Christina Roddy; his beloved daughters, Olivia (Ross) Shearer and Hannah Roddy (Hadly D.K.); his father-in-law, Terry Clayborn; brother-in-law, Michael (Stacie) Clayborn; stepmother,

Judith Brown; and brothers, Peter (Kelly) Tang, David Tang, Shane Brown, and Brian Brown.

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to the PODS and 5B nurses, techs, and team leaders at Saint Thomas West for their loving, compassionate care and support over the last several months. A special thank you also goes to Kate, Ali, Sammy, Mckenzie, and Lakita at Ascension Saint Thomas Rehabilitation Hospital.

Wayne will forever be remembered for his unwavering love for his family, his deep passion for his work, and his generous spirit that touched the hearts of everyone who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial contributions be made in Wayne's memory to the Glioblastoma Research Organization at <https://fundraise.gbmresearch.org/TeamWB>

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in Pleasant View is entrusted with the arrangements. 6316 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, Tennessee 37146 (615) 746-4433 [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)

# Previous Events

## **Celebration of Life Gathering**

APR 5. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home, Pleasant View  
6316 Hwy 41A  
Pleasant View, TN 37146  
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## **Celebration of Life Service**

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Missing you on your birthday....love you more.*



Chrissy Roddy - Yesterday at 10:21 AM

LI

“ *I love you and miss you*



Livi - March 31 at 10:47 PM

CR

“ *I can't believe it's been a year since I've heard your voice or you've held my hand. I miss you so much and I love you more. Sugar on top ..*



chrissy rodgy - March 24 at 07:54 PM

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“ *i miss you so much.. i told someone about you yesterday who didn't know you died... and for a moment it was like you were still here.*  
💔💔💔  *love you daddy*

claire rodgy - February 25 at 03:25 AM

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“ i miss you so much. i love you most. how are we supposed to live the rest of our lives without you....they say time heals all wounds, but i don't think that's true at all. i wish i could rewind.

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**claire roddy** - January 21 at 11:44 PM

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“ I love you and miss you



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**Olivia** - January 21 at 10:34 AM

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“ I can't believe 2025 ended without you and 2026 begins without you. The grief is as deep as the first day you were gone. I keep waiting for your call, to tell me you're on your way home from work. I do know you're with the girls and me. We see the signs and feel your presence. I miss you terribly and love you so much.



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**Chrissy Roddy** - January 10 at 03:35 AM

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“ daddy... christmas was not the same without you. surrounded by family as always and good food.. but i kept waiting to hear your laugh in the background of all the noise. and then comes the silence... it is so deafening. i know you are with us though.. i love you ❤️ ☐



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**claire roddy** - January 02 at 02:06 AM

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“ *Miss you so much.*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - November 30, 2025 at 09:10 AM

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“ *I know you loved this weekend of football....  
You have the best seat in house now. Miss you  
and love you more.*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - September 30, 2025 at 10:30 AM

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“ *I miss you so much. I know you are with us... I  
love you most.*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - August 24, 2025 at 11:44 AM

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“ *I miss you and love you so much* ❤️

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**Olivia** - July 23, 2025 at 09:47 PM

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“ *I miss you and love you most*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - June 24, 2025 at 02:40 PM

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“ *i miss you.. i keep waiting for you to walk thru the door & be home. i love you* 😞



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**claire** - June 08, 2025 at 07:29 AM

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“ *Chrissy Roddy lit a candle in memory of Wayne Brown*



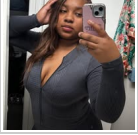
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**Chrissy Roddy** - June 01, 2025 at 11:16 AM

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“ *Olivia Shearer lit a candle in memory of Wayne Brown*



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**Olivia Shearer** - May 25, 2025 at 01:54 PM



“ I will forever and always miss you Mr. Wayne, It was a joy working with you and being your patient care tech thank you for giving me laughter throughout my day❤️ I am deeply hurt by this tragedy but I will miss you☐❤

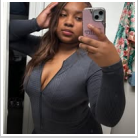


Covi Chanel - April 30, 2025 at 06:28 PM

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Shacovia... having you as Wayne's PCT was wonderful. The care you gave to him was extraordinary. We both enjoyed when you were in the room, during the ups and downs and the laughs and tears.... Thank you for all your care and support for Wayne and myself. I think of you often and miss hearing stories about your daughter... Chrissy ☐❤

Chrissy Roddy - May 04, 2025 at 11:44 PM



“ I enjoyed working and giving Mr. Wayne care, I am just finding out about this tragedy, I am so hurt by this sadden news☐💔 You will be missed Mr. Wayne, Continue to rest in God's loving arms☐❤

Covi Chanel - April 30, 2025 at 06:26 PM

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You were so wonderful to us both. Especially Wayne. I appreciate you so much and the care and every thing you provided us during our stay on 5B. ☐❤

Chrissy Roddy - May 04, 2025 at 11:47 PM

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“ *Chrissy Roddy sent a virtual gift in memory of Wayne Brown*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - April 26, 2025 at 11:26 AM

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“ *Carin G (5A/5B) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Wayne Brown.*



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**Carin G (5A/5B)** - April 19, 2025 at 05:49 PM

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“ *i miss you so much* ❤️ 🗄️



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**claire roddy** - April 15, 2025 at 11:10 AM

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**Chrissy Roddy** - April 10, 2025 at 11:15 PM

OS

“ Olivia Shearer lit a candle in memory of Wayne Brown



Olivia Shearer - April 07, 2025 at 10:16 PM

JC

“ Jay Crump purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Wayne Brown.



Jay Crump - April 04, 2025 at 03:36 PM

JC

“ Jay Crump planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne Brown.

Jay Crump - April 04, 2025 at 03:36 PM



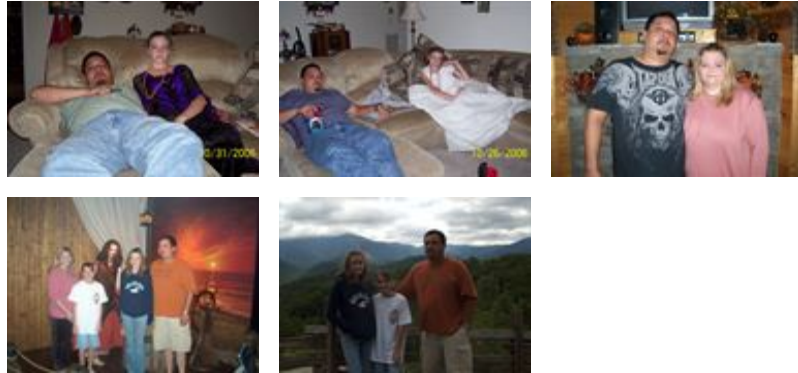
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wayne Brown.



April 04, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ 110 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - April 04, 2025 at 12:24 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Wayne Brown.*



April 03, 2025 at 07:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Brown.

April 03, 2025 at 07:59 PM



“ *We love you forever and ever* ❤️



Olivia Shearer - April 01, 2025 at 03:04 PM

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“ *Chrissy Roddy lit a candle in memory of Wayne Brown*



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**Chrissy Roddy** - April 01, 2025 at 02:59 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wayne Brown.*



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April 01, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Brown.*

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April 01, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Wayne Brown.*



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March 30, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Brown.

March 30, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ Wayne you were like a little brother to me I well always love you and rember the good times we had I well always love you Danny Brown.

**Danny Brown** - March 29, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Brown.

March 29, 2025 at 08:30 PM



“ Jeff DaPuzzo & Rob Kilpert purchased the Encha nted Cottage for the family of Wayne Brown.



**Jeff DaPuzzo & Rob Kilpert** - March 29, 2025 at 07:21 PM



“ Jeff DaPuzzo & Rob Kilpert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne Brown.

**Jeff DaPuzzo & Rob Kilpert** - March 29, 2025 at 07:21 PM