



W. Danny Burton

November 8, 1944 - December 25, 2022

Danny Burton was born on November 8, 1944, to William O. “Dick” Burton and Elizabeth “Libby” Mohundro Burton. He passed away at the age of 78 on December 25, 2022, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo, MS. Danny was a faithful member of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church for the majority of his life. A graduate of the Walnut High School Class of 1962, Danny then attended and graduated from Moore Tech Automotive in Memphis, TN. He worked at Carrier in Collierville, TN for more than 20 years. He then was the owner and operator of Walnut Muffler Shop until his retirement in November 2019. Danny served his country proudly in the US Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam where he was a door gunner. He was then promoted to the crew chief of a Huey helicopter. One of Danny’s tasks was to fly with General William Childs Westmoreland whenever commanded. It was during this time that he received several medals for his service, and he also developed a lifetime love of flying.

In his spare time, he loved playing the guitar and harmonica, listening to music, sharing his love of music with his grandson, restoring classic cars, visiting a multitude of car shows, windsurfing, flying his powered parachute, serving his church, and taking trips to visit his daughters and granddaughters. He also enjoyed meeting his friends every morning to fellowship over a cup of coffee. Of all of his hobbies and interests, hunting was by far his favorite. Danny’s most memorable hunting trips were spent with his granddaughters, who inherited the love of this pastime.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Imogene Burton Gunn, one brother-in-law, Roy Gunn, Sr., and one brother, Don “Sonny” Burton. Those remaining to remember his legacy are his wife of 30 years, Jan Smith Burton; two daughters, Lea Burton Anderson of Hernando, FL and Danielle Burton Hilliard (Randy) of Lowell, IN; one son, Jock Smith (Beth) of Walnut, MS; two granddaughters, Shelby and Elizabeth Hilliard of Lowell, IN; one grandson, Banks Smith of Walnut, MS. Serving as pallbearers are Randy Hilliard, Jock Smith, Roy Gunn, Jr., Phillip Clark, Tommy Burton, and Bart Burton. Honorary pallbearers are his comrades from the coffee shop.

There will be Full Military Honors inside the church.

Officiating will be Bro. Rick Cisowski.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hebron Cemetery

CR 306
Walnut,, MS 38683

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 28. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church
CR 306
Walnut, MS 38683

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *W. Danny Burton*

October 05, 2023 at 12:14 PM

DD

“ *Prayers for Jan and family. May you find peace.*



Dana Doyle - December 28, 2022 at 08:50 AM

BW

“ *Prayers for Jan and family.*



Belinda Wagoner - December 27, 2022 at 08:09 PM

CD

“ *Praying for you Jan Smith Burton and family! If you need anything please let us know.*

Love Danny , Cindy, Cliff and Karen Young ❤️ 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Cindy Young Davis - December 27, 2022 at 06:19 PM

CT

“ *Sorry for y'all loss. Know Randal ad him are catching up on things that happened since Randal died. Will be praying for yall*

Cozette,Allen ad Leeanne Taylor - December 27, 2022 at 06:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.*



December 27, 2022 at 05:56 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 03:33 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 03:32 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 03:24 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden* was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 27, 2022 at 02:39 PM

SW

“ *Sandra Wright lit a candle in memory of W. Danny Burton*



Sandra Wright - December 26, 2022 at 10:48 PM

TB

“ *Tommy And Tina Bonds lit a candle in memory of W. Danny Burton*



Tommy and Tina Bonds - December 26, 2022 at 03:15 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.



December 26, 2022 at 02:52 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of W. Danny Burton.*



December 26, 2022 at 02:41 PM