



Mr. William Donald Vannatta

August 14, 2021

Mr. William "Don" Vannatta, age 79, of Fayetteville, passed away August 14, 2021, at Huntsville Hospital.

A private graveside service will be held Saturday, August 21, 2021, at Willow Mount Cemetery. Dr. David R. McCauley will officiate. The family requests for masks to be worn.

A memorial service will be held 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. August 29, 2021, at Riverside Christian Academy 116 Riverside Lane Fayetteville, TN 37334.

Don was born in Bedford County to the late William Leslie Vannatta and Ruth Faulk Vannatta. He was a 1960 graduate of Bell Buckle High School. He retired from the Tennessee National Guard where he served in Desert Storm and he also retired from the Fayetteville Farmer's Exchange in October of 2003. He was a member of Riverside Church of Christ and an active member of the Fayetteville Senior Citizen's Center. He was a softball umpire in Lincoln County from 1964 to 1989 and was inducted into the Fayetteville Adult Softball Hall of Fame. He was a referee for high school TSSAA basketball tournaments, regular games, district games, regional games, sub state games, and several state tournaments throughout the years.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother-in-law,

Wayne Hornaday.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Barbara Elmore Vannatta, of Fayetteville; a son, Michael Dewitt Vannatta, and his wife, Jennifer Newman Vannatta, of Fayetteville; two sisters, Judy Hornaday, of Wartrace, and Faye Windham, and her husband Joe, of Lilburn, Georgia; a nephew, Punt Windham, and his wife, Kim; and a grandson, Nolan Michael Vannatta, of Shelbyville.

Memorials may be made to Riverside Christian Academy 116 Riverside Lane Fayetteville, TN 37334 or the charity of your choice.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. Barbara and family are in my prayers. I have such wonderful memories of Bell Buckle School and the members of the Class of 1960. Don was such fun to be in class with. He was always happy and joking, always a gentleman. I know he will be missed by anyone who knew him.



Love to Barbara and family,
Marvell Baker Jacob

Marvell Baker Jacob - August 22, 2021 at 12:07 AM

LH

“ Mrs. V and Mike,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of one of my favorite people. Mr. Don was one of those people. I always enjoyed catching up with him when we would pass. He was one of a kind. My prayers to both of you at this time. I know he will be missed by all of us friends.
Love to you!
Lenace Hyde

Lenace Hyde - August 18, 2021 at 04:12 PM

MF

“ Our sympathy to Barbara and family. May precious memories sustain each of you in the days to come.

Mike & Sara Nell Fox - August 18, 2021 at 01:34 PM

CR

“ Sympathy to the family-So sorry to hear of your loss-

Caroline f Riddle - August 18, 2021 at 10:59 AM

MG

Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. With love, Bob and Margie

Margie Gray - August 18, 2021 at 01:40 PM

FM

My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Vannatta and Mike during this difficult time.

Fredna McAlister - August 20, 2021 at 02:22 PM