



Paul "Buddy" H. Doty Jr.

July 21, 1951 - March 21, 2020

Paul H. Doty Jr. (Buddy) passed away Saturday, March 21, 2020 in Jonesboro from carcinoid cancer. He was born July 21, 1951 and lived his entire life in Walnut Ridge, a community he loved. He was a graduate of Walnut Ridge High School and Arkansas State University. Buddy was a lifelong farmer and businessman. He advised and mentored many young farmers through the years.

Buddy began farming with his father as a teen. As a young adult, he established a real-estate company and helped found Northeast Arkansas Seed Company. Over the years he served on many committees including the Intermodal Board, Water Board, Farm Bureau, and the First National Bank Board of Directors. He was honored to be selected as a finalist for the Young Farmers and Ranchers in 1975. In 1996, Buddy and his family were selected as the Lawrence County Farm Family of the Year. He was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church in Walnut Ridge.

Buddy was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Helen Doty. He is survived by his wife, Jane of the home, his daughter, Emily Richey (Heath), son, J. Paul Doty (Amber), three grandchildren, Emma and Riley Richey, and Cannon Dail all of Walnut Ridge; and his sister, Susan Dudley of Franklin, TN; two nieces, Sara Campbell (Will) of Nashville, TN and Claire Matthews (Robert) of Brentwood, TN; and many other relatives and friends.

Buddy was a kind and generous person to all. Those whom he helped know that on a personal level. He was proud of his family and enjoyed his grandchildren immensely. He treasured his time at the lake with family and friends, trips to Walt Disney World, and family holidays. He will be missed every day and thought of often.

Out of an abundance of caution for others and compliance with current health safety guidelines, there will be a private family graveside service. Memorials can be made to First United Methodist Church of Walnut Ridge, The Children's Shelter of Walnut Ridge, The Lawrence County Library or the Carcinoid Cancer Foundation.

Please leave your condolences and memories for the family to see on Buddy's Tribute Wall.

Cemetery Details

Lawrence Memorial Park

Colonial Dr.
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476

Tribute Wall



“ *Paul "Buddy" H. Doty Jr.*

January 29, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Buddy, was there for me when my brother Jerry light, passed away and I really appreciated it. Prayers going up for you Jane and your family.*

Sharon Goodwin - March 27, 2020 at 10:22 PM



“ *Jane,
So sorry to hear of your loss. Buddy must have been a special guy to have caught you. Lots of hugs.
Barbara Cart*

Barbara J Cart - March 24, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Buddy's passing. I pray that you find comfort during this very difficult time.
Michelle Rogers*

Michelle Rogers - March 24, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ *Thinking of your family with sympathy and in prayer. Remembering Buddy and all that he meant to the Walnut Ridge and farming community. With love and sympathy, The Family of Fred Schmidt*

Fred Schmidt - March 24, 2020 at 11:13 AM

CV

“ Truly one of the nicest people I've ever met. Prayers for the family.
Cynde Vaughn

Cynde Vaughn - March 24, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul "Buddy" H. Doty Jr..



March 23, 2020 at 11:29 PM

JJ

“ There are no words to express my sadness for all of you!! Buddy's infectious smile always brought a smile to my face no matter what was happening in my life. My boys loved him too!!! My heart is full of sadness for all of you!!! Wish I could be there and hug you all!!! Prayers!!!

Jane Jarboe - March 23, 2020 at 12:27 AM

TR

“ Buddy loved his family with his whole heart, including my Son. He and Jane have always been such loving and kind parents/grandparents, he will be greatly missed by all those who loved him. Rest in peace, Buddy.

Tommie Richey - March 22, 2020 at 10:14 PM

JK

“ To Jane, Emily and J Paul, I was so sorry to hear about Buddy. I will always remember the times we spent together in Walnut Ridge. Those were wonderful times. My prayer's are with all of you..If there is anything I can ever do for you just let me know. Bless all of you.
Jimmy Kelley, Russellville, Arkansas

Jimmy Kelley - March 22, 2020 at 09:33 PM

JS

“ Jane, Lyn and I are praying for you in this time of loss. If we can do anything for you let us know. I will always treasure the time Buddy and I investigated the Methodist Church. I still think about that time every so often. I think of how young we were with young children. God bless you and yours.

Jim Stallcup - March 22, 2020 at 07:26 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul "Buddy" H. Doty Jr..



March 22, 2020 at 06:48 PM

DF

“ Jane, Jennifer and I are so sorry for your great loss and praying for you and your family. Buddy was a very special friend. We made some great memories together all those years growing up in Walnut Ridge and even into college. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

With love and prayers,

Dempsey Fisher

DEMPSEY FISHER - March 22, 2020 at 05:07 PM

EF

“ Our deepest condolences go to Jane and family. We will continue to pray for you all through this difficult time.

Eddie and Julie Jones and family. - March 22, 2020 at 02:40 PM

KE

Prayers for Jane and your family during this difficult time

keri - March 24, 2020 at 02:53 PM



“ My prayers are with you all in your grief. Buddy was a special man and I'm honored to have known him, as a dear friend's husband! Sending much love to you Jane.

Karen Huber - March 22, 2020 at 12:36 PM

GW

“ Praying for the family. He was a very kind man.

Gary and Linda Walker - March 22, 2020 at 12:02 PM

SL

“ Our love and sympathy is with the family through the following days as broken hearts feels his loss. His smile and humor showed his connection with family, neighbors, and friends. Our prayers are with the family. Your neighbor and friend. The Lady family

Susan Lady - March 22, 2020 at 10:24 AM

HP

The family will be in our prayers and thoughts blessings

Harold Pertin - March 22, 2020 at 02:07 PM

GW

Very sorry to hear this! Many prayers, thoughts and God's blessings to this family at this time

Gail Weir - March 22, 2020 at 04:38 PM

GT

“ I am so sorry to read about Buddy's passing. My prayers are for each one of the family for comfort and strength. I know if it was not during this time of health concerns, there would be many to come to show their respect and love for Buddy.
Gloria Thompson

Gloria Thompson - March 22, 2020 at 10:23 AM

LD

“ Susan – I am so sorry to hear about Buddy. My heart is breaking for you all. Some of the fondest memories of my childhood are from when we would all fill a room as a big Doty family. Buddy had such a kind heart and ALWAYS had a huge smile on his face and above all, it was obvious how much he loved his family and how proud he was of his children. Please know that we love you all and have you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Linda Doty - March 22, 2020 at 09:54 AM

VD

My prayers for comfort for the family. Buddy's smile was infectious! It was always a joy to be around him. Love y'all!

Vicky Davis - March 22, 2020 at 11:02 AM

BD

My prayers for the Doty family he was always a Friendly guy

bobby davis - March 22, 2020 at 11:03 AM

CH

So sorry Susan on the death of your brother. You always talked so highly of him. I know you will miss him so much. Prayers for you and his family.

CheriSanders - March 22, 2020 at 11:27 AM

CA

“ We are so sad to learn of Paul's death. We have such wonderful memories of our college days and bridge games as young couples! Paul had such a warm smile and gracious nature. God bless Jane and his family.

Christy and Bob Appleton

christy appleton - March 22, 2020 at 09:51 AM

RB

“ Reggie and I send our love and sympathy to you all We are so sorry to hear this. Reggie really loved Buddy as an employer of his at the seed company always a very caring and appreciative man for his workers. Would love to attend but circumstances beyond our control constraints us. God Bless you all in this time.

Reggie Bennett - March 22, 2020 at 09:11 AM

JJ

“ Jane, I am so sorry to hear this. You and your family will be in our prayers. Mike and Jill (Rorex) Gillis.

Jill - March 22, 2020 at 08:51 AM

GW

“ Jane and family, I just read the beautiful obituary, of Buddy's dedication to our community, he will be missed by many and especially by you and the kids, please accept our sympathy, hugs and kisses your way, and I will be praying for all of you my friend.

Gayla Warden - March 22, 2020 at 08:33 AM

WM

“ Jane, Emily and J. Paul, our hearts are saddened as I read this. Buddy and family had been so kind to us all the many years we had known them, worked for them. Our sincere thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort. RIP “Buddy” 🙏🙏

Wayne and Pat McEntire - March 22, 2020 at 07:25 AM

SL

“ Jane, Emily and J Paul I am so sorry my heart goes out to y'all. You will be in my prayers. Love you all

sissy lynn - March 22, 2020 at 07:15 AM

MF

“ Jane I am so sorry. I did not know Buddy was sick. My heart is broken. I loved Buddy and all his family so much. They were such a large part of my childhood years. My prayers are with you and the kids and grandkids. Love all of you

Mary Freeman - March 22, 2020 at 12:35 AM

LM

Dearest Jane, I am very sorry. My heart is so sad, I had no idea Buddy wasn't well. You, Buddy and your family hold a treasured place in my heart. The years we spent in Walnut Ridge capture so many memories and will always be treasured. Prayers for your peace and much love to you and your beautiful family. Lucinda

Lucinda Miles - March 22, 2020 at 01:07 AM

TH

I'm so sorry for your loss buddy was good man gave me a job when I needed one the 5 years I worked for buddy I was honored to know home j.p.and Emily I'm so sorry you have your family to get thru this rest in peace my good friend

Tim Hubbard - March 22, 2020 at 01:09 AM

MM

“ *I am so sorry to read this. When Paul came to visit at Hospice House we had such good visits. Please accept my love and sympathy. Mary Lee Marcom*

Mary Lee Marcom - March 22, 2020 at 12:31 AM

JS

“ *Love and Prayers* ❤️🙏



jackie Speak - March 21, 2020 at 11:48 PM

GH

I am so sorry Susan and my prayers will include you and your family 🙏

gwyn hughes - March 22, 2020 at 12:03 AM

TP

To the Doty and Richey Families, I am so sorry for your loss. No matter where I would see Buddy, he always had a smile and "how you doing?" My heart breaks for you for the loss of your husband, dad and grandpa. May God see you through this difficult time. Love to all, Terry Sue

terry passalaqua - March 22, 2020 at 12:42 AM

BG

I'm so sorry for your loss. 🙏❤️

Brenda Kieffer Gartman - March 22, 2020 at 09:13 AM

CK

Jane and family..... So sorry to learn of Buddys death. You all with be in our thoughts and our prayers during this difficult time. Jerry and Carolyn (Clark) Kincade

Carolyn Kincade - March 22, 2020 at 10:17 AM

WT

Cannot tell you how sorry we are about Buddy's passing. My Dad always appreciated him making sure he got down the stairs safely after a board meeting . He was always so kind to me anytime I saw him. He will be missed by so many 🙏❤️

willette Thomas - March 22, 2020 at 01:14 PM

MW

Jane, Susan, I was heartbroken to learn of Buddy's death. We missed him at our 50th class reunion and were praying we'd all be able to see him again the next time the group got together. Please accept my sincerest condolences. He'll never be forgotten. ❤️

Mary Willmuth - March 22, 2020 at 03:24 PM