



Jerry Wayne Bunn

November 25, 1955 - September 30, 2021

On Thursday, September 30, 2021, Jerry Wayne Bunn passed away at his home in Ridge Manor, Florida at the age of 65. Jerry is survived by his loving wife of 41 years Susan (Wyatt), his 4 children, Hayley Trinqué (Ryan), Benjamin Bunn (Sarah), Thomas Bunn (Amanda), and Christopher Bunn, his 9 grandchildren, Bonnie, Kyle, Emma, Lily, Ella, Kalaya, Nolan, Cole, and Sofia and his sister Deborah Whitty. He is preceded in death by his parents Thomas and Nezzie Bunn, his brother Thomas Bunn Jr., and his sister Mitzi Smith.

Jerry was born on November 25, 1955 in Wadesboro, North Carolina. He later moved to Baldwin, Florida where he attended school from 1st to 12th grade. He was very athletic and proud of his sport accomplishments and loved sharing the stories with his family. He turned his love of sports into coaching his 3 boys. He founded a baseball league in Ridge Manor to have a place for his sons and the other local children to play ball. He loved coaching and watching his boys play ball but he would happily watch his daughter's yearly dance recitals as well.

In 1978, he joined the United States Air Force. He was stationed at R.A.F. Bentwaters in England for four years, as a firefighter, where he met his soon-to-be wife, Susan. They were married in England on July 2, 1980. After exiting the service and moving back to Florida he became a member of the Masonic Lodge #217 in Baldwin. In 1987, he became a driver for Wal-Mart, which he worked for until he retired to become a full time Papa. While working for Wal-

Mart he enjoyed competing in Truck Driving Competitions where he won several times taking him to various National Championships in New Orleans, Minnesota and Utah.

He loved riding his motorcycle, watching the Florida Gators, hunting and fishing. However, most of all he loved spending time with his family. Family dinner on Sundays and playing with his grandchildren became some of his favorite times.

A visitation will be held at the Purcell Chapel in Bushnell, Florida on Friday, October 15, 2021 from 9:30 - 10:30 am with a Funeral Service to follow and begin at 10:30 am. Interment will follow at the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerry Wayne Bunn*



May 13, 2022 at 09:06 PM



“ *Jerry was a wonderful man and he will be deeply missed by many. From his silly nickname for my sister Becca (I'll always hear his voice in my head calling her) to the love he displayed for his family; Jerry's spirit will always live on in our hearts. Sending all my love to Susan and all his family*

Heather Rogers - October 16, 2021 at 11:19 AM

TB

“ As I sit here thinking of you all at Jerry's final journey I have so many lovely memories of Jerry.

Jerry was such a fun and lively addition to our family. I remember staying at your flat in Jupiter Road, Ipswich and Jerry letting Susan's little sisters tag along on trips, I especially remember visiting Windsor Castle and the best holiday I had in my whole childhood when Jerry loaded up 7 of us and Aqua the bulldog into a small camper van and took us on a trip around Scotland. I had never had such an adventure and will cherish it forever. I still tell people of that holiday. Jerry had a great love of British history and castles which has rubbed off on me.

Last night we were laughing and remembering when I had to explain to nursery why David had a black eye. He was play fighting with Uncle Jerry and Jerry moved as David jumped him, Jerry has always been great fun with children. David then took his blue hanky which he found very funny, Jerry pretended he didn't know where it was, I still have that hanky now as David carried it about for ages. All 3 of my children loved being around Jerry listening to his stories and having bbqs and more recently our sausagefests.

We are so pleased you all came over in 2019 for David and Vickys wedding and a wonderful month of family get togethers, and of course your daily visit to use our shower as mum didn't have one. I have so many memories.

We will miss Jerry very much and send all our love and huge hugs to my wonderful big sister, my gorgeous niece, nephews and great niece's and nephews. ❤️❤️ xxx

Tracy Burch - October 15, 2021 at 11:51 AM

AH

“ I was just 11 when Susan married Jerry, I gained another big brother. I missed them terribly when they moved back to the States, but was able to enjoy the times they came back to the UK. I was fortunate enough to visit them in Florida twice. The last time being 2 years ago, when at the age of 50 under Jerry's tuition I caught and landed my first big fish. I shared Jerry's love of motorcycles. He offered me to ride his Harley, to which I declined saying I'll stay on the back, I don't want to drop your pride and joy. To this Jerry laughed that big laugh of his. Jerry had such a rapport with children and was friendly with everyone he met. His family were his everything. Our love and thoughts go out to Susan, her children and grandchildren. Jerry you can once again go cruising with your best buddy. Amanda, Phillip and family.

Amanda Hadley - October 15, 2021 at 04:38 AM

TD

“ Jerry you will be sadly missed and never forgotten, you will always have a special place in our hearts ❤️
RIP XXX Teresa & Family X

Teresa Day - October 15, 2021 at 02:12 AM

“ I'd like to share a story as one of the fondest memories I have of my Uncle and Godfather, Jerry, is that he sure loved to tell a good story. In 2012 when I was 17 Uncle Jerry and Auntie Susan gave me the amazing once in a lifetime opportunity to go and stay with them for 3 months, do some travelling and see some of the most incredible sites America has to offer. Well during my first week there one of the first things Uncle Jerry wanted to do was take me down to Silver Lake, a patch of water not too far from home, to do some fishing on his little fishing motor boat which I believe he'd either recently bought or just done up. We get down there and get the boat on the water and start heading down the river, it's a lovely day, blue sky and hot as Florida should be. So we hadn't been out there too long, maybe 20 minutes, I remember being sat at the front of the boat just enjoying the beautiful view as Uncle Jerry was at the back driving and steering the boat... well the boat rocked a little but not enough to take any notice of, not until about 30 seconds later when I realised we were suddenly veering off course and heading straight towards the river bank, that's when I looked behind me and was suddenly shocked to see that Uncle Jerry was not steering the boat anymore! Instead he was way back about 50 yards away in the water waving his arms and shouting me! Turns out he had been messing around with the engine while steering and somehow managed to fall head first overboard and into the deep water. So now I'm in a situation, this stretch of water seemed huge and open to me, the boats about 20 yards away from crashing into the bank and my Uncles treading water in this big open lake during alligator mating season of all times to choose to go for a swim! Now in this split second I had to learn how to operate this boat, taking into account this is my first time being on a little fishing boat I done alright managing to stop the thing from going into the bank, turning it around and pulling up alongside Uncle Jerry without running him over so he could climb back in. Despite being soaked through with his wallet and phone ruined he immediately saw the funny side of things. That was a great day, a great memory to go alongside all the other wonderful memories of my time spent with my Godfather, memories I will always cherish. Naturally Uncle Jerry went on to tell

this story to everyone he could for the next couple of weeks, putting his dramatic and animated spin on it as he always would. It was always a laugh to hear his stories, I couldn't help notice how they'd always become a little more exaggerated and a lot more entertaining every time he told them haha!

I am forever grateful for everything Uncle Jerry did for me and taught me along the way, his love for life and adventure, strong minded and strong willed personality, patriotism, get up and go energy has helped shape me into the person I am today. He is someone I will always look up to and respect, and as I grow older I have noticed what a brilliant job he and Auntie Susan done raising 4 wonderful children who went on to give them many wonderful grandchildren. He may be gone but his legacy will live on through them forever. I always dreamed of returning to Florida with a wife and family of my own to show him I'd become the man he encouraged me to be, unfortunately life is cruel and he has been taken from us far too soon, but the last time I see him during his self described "farewell tour" of England the last words he said to me before leaving is that he is proud of me, which is what meant the most to me and all that I truly wanted to make him feel. God Bless you Uncle Jerry, I hope you've got your long hair back and are riding your Harley in eternal peace up there.

Thank you for everything, your Godson, Zach.

Zach Hadley - October 14, 2021 at 05:09 PM

BW

“ Jerry was a good friend and will be missed by all however, he is now in a place of peace and harmony with no pain and suffering. He was a devoted husband to Susan, a devoted father to his kids and a devoted grandfather to his grandkids. Jerry never met a stranger and you know he is making his rounds in heaven. You could always count on Jerry for anything or need, he was always there with his helping hand.

All we have is memories in life and Jerry made a whole bunch of them. I am honored to have been able to meet Jerry and his family- absolutely the best!

Jerry's most famous words were, "Friends are like good books, few and well chosen".

Jerry, heck of a dude you are, a great friend and will miss the great BBQs, our famous fireworks show every new year, our fishing and hunting excursions, our professional pro am sequence tournament (Kings vs the Queens), our little league baseball games that you brought to Ridge Manor and just time we spent with you and your family together-we were like peas and carrots my dear friend-peas and carrots.

*Love you brother
Bob, Betsy, Bub and Brayden Woods*

Bob Woods - October 11, 2021 at 11:19 PM

AT

“ Jerry you will be missed! All the good times playing sequence and other games along with the BBQ's and general family gatherings. Great times with many family and friends in attendance. You never had a loss of words and could talk to anyone. Hunting and fishing stories galore! Never a dull moment. Our prayers have been going to you for peace and rest. Loving prayers to Susan and the whole family that they find good memories and times in their hearts to move forward.

Art & Ana Trinqu - October 11, 2021 at 02:40 AM

DB

“ Uncle Jerry you will be missed by all of us over the sea here in the uk, I will always remember all the family bbq's we had when you used to come and visit all the stories you told us and all the debates you and nanny had I'm sure you will both be having more up there always in our hearts and never forgotten

David Burch - October 09, 2021 at 02:26 PM

DL

“ We may have lost a dear friend, but God has gained another angel. Forever in our hearts. Never forgotten. Sending our love, hugs, and deepest sympathy to Susan and the family. -Deb and Floyd Lively

Deb & Floyd Lively - October 09, 2021 at 11:56 AM

JS

“ A lot of good times, especially Saturdays at the ball field. He still holds half of the Sequence Champs! Jerry will be greatly misses. John and Karen Sharpe

John Sharpe - October 08, 2021 at 09:53 PM