



## Donald Eugene Bates

December 29, 1950 - February 1, 2021

Don E. Bates, age 70, of Sweetwater, passed away on Monday, February 1, 2021, at Parkwest Medical Center, Knoxville, TN. Preceded in death by his parents: Edna Mae Hughes and Donald Franklin Bates, brother: Mike Bates. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. Survivors include his wife: Linda J. Bates, of Sweetwater; step-children: Bobby Duggan, of Pulaski, TN, Barry and Deana Duggan, of Sweetwater, Denise Davis, of Lenoir City; grandchildren: Leslie Veal, Curcha Walker, Broedy Duggan, Briley Duggan, Baylor Duggan, Ashley Bucciarelli, Jeremy Jessen, Brittany Merriott; great-grandchildren: Misty, Marcus, Olivia, Tucker, Amelia, Campbell, Blaise, Livi, Hunter, Hayven, Heavenly, Kinsley, Steven; great-great-grandchild: Lennox Veal; sister: Donna Henry, of Kentucky; brothers: Richard Bates and Jerry Bates, of Texas. The family will receive friends on Friday, February 5, 2021 from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M, with the funeral service to follow at 7:00 P.M. with Dr. Gerald Atkins officiating, with full military honors provided by members of the Sweetwater Gold Star V.F.W. Post 5156. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

FEB 5. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Eugene Bates*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - February 05, 2021 at 10:57 AM



“ *19 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - February 05, 2021 at 10:56 AM

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“ *Linda, your Don was a wonderful man. You both fit perfectly, precious marriage. He will be waiting, healed, rested and restored at the gates of HEAVEN.*

*May GOD envelope you in HIS comfort and peace 🙏❤️*

*We love you ❤️ Joyce , Carroll and Kimberly*

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**Kimberly Trentham** - February 05, 2021 at 09:19 AM



“ *Linda... so sorry to see this sad news... love and hugs* ”

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**Kathy Underwood Frye** - February 03, 2021 at 08:07 PM