



## Ray Beaty, Jr.

November 2, 2009

Ray “ Bruce” Beaty Jr. , age 58, of Sweetwater, went to be with the Lord on Monday, November 2, 2009 at his residence. He was a loving husband and devoted father. He worked for the Monroe County Board of Education since 1973, serving as teacher, principal, and was the current director of special education. Bruce loved the Lord and he loved to serve the Lord. He was a member of the Mt. Verd Baptist Church where he served as deacon and Sunday School Teacher. Preceded in death by his father: Ray Bruce Beaty Sr. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years: Pam Beaty, son and daughter-in-law: Mark and Tiffany Beaty, of Maryville, daughter and son-in-law: Sara and Josh Harris, of Sweetwater, grandsons: Preston Beaty, and Noah Harris, mother: Nellie Beaty, of Sweetwater, sisters and brothers-in-law: Carolyn and Rob Scott, of Winter Haven, FL, Betty and John French, of Tellico Plains, Lois and Bill Jones, of Chattanooga , mother-in-law and step-father-in-law: Geneva and Jerry Anderson, of Niota, brother-in-law: Lynn Robinson, of Niota, 2 nieces and several nephews. The body is at Kyker Funeral Home, Sweetwater, where the family will receive friends on Tuesday from 4:00P.M. until 8:00P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 8:00P.M. in Kyker’s Chapel with Rev. Donnie Dalton, Rev. T.D. Burgess, and Rev. Ted Watson officiating. Interment 11:00A.M. Wednesday in the Sweetwater Memorial Park.

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Hi Pam -

*We came to the service yesterday and wanted to share with you what Bruce meant to us - especially for Taylor.*

*You may remember us from when you came with Bruce to our party at Chicago Uno Pizza in Maryville to celebrate Taylor's miraculous recovery from autism with everyone that God used to bring about Taylor's healing ("The Amazing Taylor Team").*

*We just wanted you to know - Bruce was one of the MOST instrumental members of the Team, as he was the man who opened all the doors for Taylor to get the services he needed through the school system. Because of Bruce's compassion and his love for Christ, Taylor is now "out of the woods" and well on his way to living a normal yet incredible life. For this we will always be eternally grateful and will always consider our dear Bruce as a true "MVP" on The Amazing Taylor Team.*

*We will remind Taylor throughout his life of the huge part that Bruce played in helping Taylor to live a fulfilling life.*

*We continue to pray for you and your family, asking God to bless you with the peace that only Christ can bring and a sense of great comfort in knowing that the legacy Bruce has left behind has produced, and will continue to produce a great harvest for years to come from the many lives he touched.*

*With sympathy and love,*

*Bill, Rose Anne and The Amazing Taylor*

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**Bill, Rose Anne and The Amazing Taylor Johnson** - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ We are so sorry for your loss and our deepest sympathy . May God bless and watch over you.

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**Ruby (Beaty ) and Roy Wiggins Jr.** - November 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Bruce and I were good friends during our years at Tellico Plains High School. For four years, we sat together, studied together, and had a friendly competition in almost every one of our classes. I value his friendship during those years very much. May God bless his family during this time of grief.

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**Tom Allman** - November 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ He is well remember in stories and tales of SHS!

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**Charles Owen** - November 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ Pam and Family.  
Bruce was more than just a boss. He was a friend and someone that I could talk to about anything. He understood my frustrations as a teacher when I had them. I remember when I first moved to Monroe County and interviewed at Tellico High. Bruce called me about a Apartment for rent. That's the kind of man Bruce was. Bruce will never be forgotton.  
We went to a conference in Gatlinburg my first year in Monroe County School system. Bruce was giving out room assignments and everyone had there's but me. There I stood and Bruce said, Fred you have to room with me because I have to keep an eye on you. He was always pulling jokes on someone and laughing. Bruce gave himself for the needs of others and was a light for our Special needs students because that's the man he was. He made such an impact on me personally and professionally. I will always think of him and the advice that he gave to me. I learned more from him than any college professor. I know there is a Special place in Heaven just for him because of the life that he lived here on earth and his willingness to help others. God Bless

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**Fred Bailey** - November 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know he will be missed by you and your family very much.  
Please remember that you are in my thoughts and prayers and I will always be here for you.

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**Sara Ingram** - November 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ We send our deepest sympathy for your loss. May it comfort you to know that many hearts reach out to you in sympathy and love while sharing your sorrow and hope that it will comfort you during this time of the loss to your family.

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**Lorraine (Beaty) and Wayne Judd** - November 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ *Pam & Family*  
Words can not express what you all are going thru. I am truly a better person for knowing and working for Bruce in the education system. My heart & prayers are with you. Bruce truly did love the Lord.  
*Frankie Houser & Family*

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**Frankie Houser** - November 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM