



ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood

December 12, 1933 - June 6, 2022

Samuel DeWayne Underwood, 88, of Madisonville, Tennessee went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 6. He was born to the Late Rev. J.L. and Lonnie Mae Underwood on December 12, 1933. Sam enlisted in the United States Navy in 1954 and was honored to serve his beloved country for nearly 37 years. The final fifteen years of his Navy career, he served as a Command Master Chief and retired in 1991.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter Beth Lynn Underwood; brothers James, Paul, Joe, Emanuel, and Dean; sisters Lois, Mary and Barbara.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years Wilma of Madisonville, daughters Kimberly Morgan of Gulfport, MS Kellie (Richard) Sonner of Elkhart, IN; Robin (John) Derdzinski of Knoxville, TN. Nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; sister Virginia Peters of Wilmington, NC, and brothers David Underwood of Kingsport, TN and Buck (Esther) Underwood of The Villages, FL. Several nieces, nephews and special friends. The family will receive friends on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. the funeral service will follow at 2:00P.M. in Kyker' s Chapel with Buck Underwood, CAPT., United States Navy officiating. Interment to follow in the West View Cemetery with full military honors. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes
OUR SWEETWATER CHAPEL
PO Box 309, 113 W. North Street
Sweetwater, TN 37874
(423) 337-5033
julie@kyker.net
<https://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

JUN 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes
OUR SWEETWATER CHAPEL
PO Box 309, 113 W. North Street
Sweetwater, TN 37874
(423) 337-5033
julie@kyker.net
<https://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood*



Kyker Funeral Home - June 09, 2022 at 10:32 AM

MM

Wilma one of the most beautiful services I ever seen. I cried my heart hurts so for you. He was so handsome and you are so beautiful inside out. Cherish all the good times. I try to. We know it doesn't always work. I've never met you but we have kindred spirits.

Mary Miles - August 16, 2022 at 03:26 PM

WU

To Kyker Funeral Home..

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for honoring My Sweet Sam in such a wonderful way! How kind of you!

This is so touching, and a beautiful tribute to my husband, Samuel D. Underwood....the finest man I have ever known.

He was/is a complete gentleman, an amazing man of impeccable integrity who loved all his fellowmen, his country (to which he devoted 37 years of service) and his shipmates. He stood tall, and impressed all who knew him with his kindness, loyal friendship and wise counsel.

Mr. 4-0.

No one who met him..... ever forgot him.

..

I shall treasure this, and his sweet love, forever..

Thanks, again...

Wilma Underwood

Wilma D. Underwood - August 17, 2022 at 07:54 PM

WU

I remain, and treasure being, Mrs. Samuel Underwood!

Wilma D. Underwood - August 17, 2022 at 07:59 PM

JH

“ Served with Sam in VX6 Operation Deepfreeze 1959/60 and again at NAAS Saufley Field, Florida in 1963, he was a close friend and running mate.

ABCM J.C. Harris, Louisville, KY, May the Lord grant him peace.

John Harris - April 28, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.



June 10, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.



June 09, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ 48 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - June 09, 2022 at 10:23 AM



“ *America the Beautiful* was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.



June 09, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.



June 09, 2022 at 10:08 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



June 09, 2022 at 09:55 AM



“ *Skipper Scott purchased the Divine Light for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



Skipper Scott - June 09, 2022 at 09:11 AM



“ *Sam, "4.0", Master Chief, Shipmate. You were one of the the best men I have ever known or will ever know. You did it all and now we've got the watch. RIP my friend, you truly earned it.*

Peter Scott - June 09, 2022 at 09:04 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



June 09, 2022 at 08:10 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



June 09, 2022 at 07:39 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



June 08, 2022 at 10:24 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of ABCM Samuel DeWayne Underwood.*



June 08, 2022 at 04:43 PM