



## Kenneth Wayne Bates

October 21, 1954 - October 8, 2023

Kenneth Wayne Bates, age 68 of Taft, Tennessee passed away on Sunday, October 8, 2023, at his residence surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Lincoln County, Tennessee on October 21, 1954. He was preceded in death by his father, James Patrick Bates and his mother and stepfather, Beatrice (George) Painter, In laws, Huey (Millie) Yell, grandparents, Raymond (Rosie) Bates and Henry (Emma) Howard and some very special friends throughout the years. Per his wishes, there will be no funeral services, but there will be a celebration of life held at his residence on October 21, 2023, at 1:00 PM for anyone who would like to come and remember his life with his friends and family. Kenneth was the owner of Bates Disposal for the past 24 years. Prior to that he operated heavy equipment, worked construction, drove a semi, and worked as a mechanic. Some say he was a jack of all trades and could fix anything. In his spare time, he loved being in his garage working on things. He was always a busy man and enjoyed working. He also loved spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Pamela Ann Bates, daughter, Angela (Ralph) Linnell, grandson, Dakota (Sarah) Linnell, granddaughter, Dezaray (Michael) Kelton great grandchildren, Jazmine Linnell and soon to arrive, baby Cordell Linnell, sister- in-law, Stella Louise Fowler, Nephews, Greg (Kandy) Dunn, Chad (Jeanna) Gray, Jason (Kim) Gray and a slew of special friends. Online condolences may be made at [www.lynchburgfuneralhome.com](http://www.lynchburgfuneralhome.com) Lynchburg Funeral Home oversees the arrangements.



# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Angela Linnell  
210 Walker Creek Road  
Taft, TN 38488

# Tribute Wall

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“ Pam, Angela I'm so shocked about Kenneth I'm so sorry I didn't know he was even sick. I tried calling your home phone but, it's not working I don't know your cell # I will come see y'all soon. Love y'all Your friend Judy sending thoughts and prayers 🙏❤️



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**Judy Stafford** - October 12, 2023 at 10:16 PM

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*Kenneth will be missed. He was loved by many. Always a smile and loved to poke fun. Very active and enjoyed his friends visiting. Prayers for the family.*

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**Patricia Madewell** - October 16, 2023 at 06:02 PM

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*I am so sorry to hear about Kenneth. He was so good to my parents. They thought so much of him. I will never forget all his help when Daddy died and fixing the well pump. He was such a good neighbor and person and will be missed so much. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers 🙏*

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**Barbara Lincoln** - October 19, 2023 at 01:56 PM