



## Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver

August 28, 2011

WEAVER, Elmer W. "Bud", of Lakeland, Florida, departed this life on August 28, 2011. He was a veteran of the United States Navy having participated in the Cuban Missile Crisis Initiative, a retired Feeder Driver with UPS, and a Deacon at Faith Lighthouse Church. He is survived by his wife of 50+ years Judy Weaver; children Michael Weaver (Nikki) of Plant City, Kitty Smallwood (Hank) of Ocala, Jodi Smith of Lakeland, and Jessica Weaver of Lakeland; sisters Patricia Allums (Paul) of Hiawassee, Georgia and Susan McCarthy (Mike) of Brandon; and 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. A Graveside Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, September 3 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, 6005 SR 39 S, Plant City. Expressions of condolence at [www.hopewellfuneral.com](http://www.hopewellfuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South  
Plant City, FL 33567  
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# Previous Events

## Graveside

SEP 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Hopewell Funeral Home - August 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I have know this man all my life. He is and will always be my "Uncle" Bud. I miss him dearly. He always had time for anyone and everyone! He shared the Jesus with everyone he came in contact with, He is a true witness for Jesus. He and "Aunt" Judy treated me as one of thier own. I love you, Uncle Bud! I miss you, but I know that you are relishing being in your Heavenly Fathers house!

Jen Anderson - September 04, 2011 at 09:46 PM



“ I met "BUD" at UPS in 1996,when he trained me as a feeder driver.I feel honored to have known him as a mentor and friend.My thoughts and prayers are with his family.JOEHOLL



Joe Holl - September 03, 2011 at 09:44 PM

AF

“ Though I only knew him a short period of time I felt like I knew him my whole life like the grandpa I never had... and he impacted my life in ways I never imagined just like he has so many others... I was looking forward to spending more time with him and wanted so badly to hear some more of his stories and hear him talk about how awesome God is! I really miss him a lot ...and though it's in our human nature to miss his physical being... I know that he is dancing in heaven with his new body and that brings so much peace!

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**Aileen Figueroa** - September 03, 2011 at 12:09 AM

DF

“ DeLynn Francis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



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**DeLynn Francis** - September 01, 2011 at 08:23 PM

MP

“ Michelle Meachum Phenicie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



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**Michelle Meachum Phenicie** - August 31, 2011 at 08:19 PM

LS

“ *In your life if you are ever blessed enough to have an Uncle Buddy you are blessed. My grandparents raised three wonderful children, my Mom, my Uncle Buddy and my Aunt Susan. These three people have shaped my life in so many wonderful ways, they have shown what family is. Although we are different, we are family. There will never be a Thanksgiving or Christmas (Uncle Buddy's birthday) that I will not remember his warm hugs, smiles, and words of wisdom. Last year I never imagined it would be our last or I would have been sure to tell him how much he meant to me. I do know that there was a hug and kiss somewhere in our meeting, because he always made sure of that. As I look back at that day I am so glad for his affection and love not just for me, but for all those he touched. Uncle Buddy, your name is so appropriate, you are just that a buddy. I love you and will miss you until we meet again in heaven.*

*Love you,  
Laura*

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**Laura Suga** - August 31, 2011 at 07:25 PM

AS

“ *Anna Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver*



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**Anna Shepherd** - August 31, 2011 at 01:00 PM

SF

“ I liked Bud he was really nice and funny. I pretty much grew up with him since I was a baby. He went to my uncle's church, Faith Lighthouse. He's in Heaven now looking down on us and waiting and watching over us all. He loved everybody and everybody loved him. Very very sweet man always hugged me too.



Sharon Flowers - August 30, 2011 at 09:58 PM

JF

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Jodi Foster - August 30, 2011 at 08:03 PM

JF

“ Only had the honor of knowing him briefly..but his spirit was bright & smile brighter. He is Eternally at peace and FOREVER a Supreme Guardian Angel ( for Clayton & Jessica)...

Jodi Foster - August 30, 2011 at 08:01 PM

KJ

“ Karen Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Karen Johnson - August 30, 2011 at 07:38 PM

LA

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Laura - August 30, 2011 at 04:24 PM



He was very proud of you Laura & was so happy to see you marry Brad. He loved you both very much.

Kitty Weaver-Smallwood - August 30, 2011 at 05:20 PM

LS

What a beautiful picture, so glad you all shared this special moment.

Laura Allums Sugn - August 30, 2011 at 07:55 PM

PJ

“ *Judy and Family*

*Was sorry to hear about Bud. I have many fond memories working with him at UPS for 27 years. Bud made our nights on the road enjoyable and shortened the long rides from Lakeland to Jacksonville. He will be greatly missed by all of us.*



*Pete and Lori Jones  
Winter Haven, FL*

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**Peter Jones** - August 30, 2011 at 03:56 PM

MP

“ *I met Bud when I was up for feeder shifter training at UPS in 1996. I was a young, cocky, know it all 25 year old. That didn't affect Bud at all. He treated me like I was his equal(which I wasn't). I was taught to use the words Ma'am and Sir and Mr and Mrs, but Mr. Weaver insisted that I call him Bud.He was very patient with me for two straight days watching me make a mockery out of his profession. At the end of the second day(and my training) I told Bud, "I don't think I can do this job." He reassured me that I would be fine and to just remeber all the hints and tips that he gave me. Of course, Bud was right. I ended up doing the job well and was always appreciative of his patience and easy going manner. I lost touch with Bud for a few years. After leaving UPS and opening a Pearle Vision in Lakeland in 2005, someone walked in my store that I recognized but couldn't put a name to the face. It was Bud Weaver, who in fact still remembered MY name. We rekindled our friendship that day like only a few hours had passed. Everytime Bud came into my store, he always had a smile on his face and a good story to share. I will miss that smile and those stories. I will miss you, Bud.*

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**Michael Plumb** - August 30, 2011 at 03:53 PM

RC

“ Rick Creider lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Rick Creider - August 30, 2011 at 03:47 PM

BM

“ Bob Meeks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Bob Meeks - August 30, 2011 at 03:28 PM

TV

“ Jessica & Family,  
I was sorry to hear about Mr. Weaver. Find peace in knowing he is no longer in pain. May you find comfort in all your fond memories. God Bless all of you.



Terry Vaughan - August 30, 2011 at 08:11 AM

PA

“Buddy was my brother, my younger brother, but when I told him I had always wanted an older brother, we switched ages. He would tell other people and say that our mother said it was okay. Some probably believed him.

We shared my birthday because his was on Christmas. We shared a lot – our parents, the same bed when we were young, and the same bedroom for all but one year for the first 12 years of our life. We were each others only friends at times. When he was in the first grade I had to protect him from some boys that wanted to beat him as we walked home from school. If he got hurt it was I who would get into trouble. When he fell off his bicycle showing off and cut his head, when he got sunburned playing too long, I was the one my mother would yell at. But when we were older and I needed help, I knew who to call and he came and I knew he always would.

He loved people but was underneath a shy person about himself. I bullied him into going to a High School reunion in 2002, 44 years after graduating. He wouldn't know anyone, they wouldn't remember him – he had a great time and I thought we would never get him out of Macon. I think he went to some others afterwards also. And then he wrote an eloquent letter telling them all how much he had enjoyed it and how school was for him when he was young.

I love you brother and will miss you always,  
Pat



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Pat Weaver Allums - August 30, 2011 at 07:43 AM

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Pat Weaver Allums - August 30, 2011 at 07:36 AM

JS

“ Jodi Weaver Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Jodi Weaver Smith - August 30, 2011 at 05:10 AM

JS

*I love you Daddy!!*

Jodi Weaver Smith - August 30, 2011 at 05:13 AM

JW

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Jodi Weaver-Smith - August 30, 2011 at 05:14 AM

LS

*God bless you, Jodi. Sorry for your loss.*

Lois Armstrong Shuck - May 26, 2014 at 03:31 PM

AH

“ ANTHONY HOLLER lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



ANTHONY HOLLER - August 30, 2011 at 12:38 AM

RS

“ Rochelle Sprague lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Rochelle Sprague - August 29, 2011 at 10:23 PM

RB

“ Rodney Bolton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Rodney Bolton - August 29, 2011 at 09:56 PM



“ Mr. Weaver was a true man of integrity, faith , and love. Mr. Weaver was not only my neighbor during my childhood growing up in Plant City but he was also like a second father to me. He never judged and was always there for you when all you needed was a strong hug and a ear to talk to. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to be a part of his life and his memory will forever live in my heart..

Michelle Phenicie - August 29, 2011 at 09:50 PM



“ *Hope Bolton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver*



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**Hope Bolton** - August 29, 2011 at 09:35 PM



“ *Pawman was one of the greatest men I knew. Anyone who ran into him was blessed. He was a man of God and God just received another angel. Sing beautiful Pawman you will always be in our hearts and we will see you at the golden gates welcoming us in when it is our time. We Love you...*

*Our prayers go out to the Weaver family and all that knew this great man!!!!*

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**Hope Bolton** - August 29, 2011 at 09:34 PM



“ *Michelle Meachum Phenicie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver*



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**Michelle Meachum Phenicie** - August 29, 2011 at 09:34 PM

AS

“ April Smallwood lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



April Smallwood - August 29, 2011 at 08:36 PM

AS

I will miss his bear hugs the most.

April Smallwood - August 29, 2011 at 08:38 PM

CS

“ Charity (Taylor) Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Charity (Taylor) Smith - August 29, 2011 at 07:49 PM

CT

“ Charity T lit a candle in memory of Mr. Elmer W. "Bud" Weaver



Charity T - August 29, 2011 at 07:47 PM



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**Jessica Weaver** - August 29, 2011 at 07:44 PM



“ he was a great man he might not be here physicly but he will always live on in jesus christ and in our hearts

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**Cody Bolton** - August 29, 2011 at 07:42 PM



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**Jessica Weaver** - August 29, 2011 at 07:41 PM



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**Jessica Weaver** - August 29, 2011 at 07:38 PM

LS

*Bud and my granddaughter Jessica. She is of no relation to him.*

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**Lois Armstrong Shuck** - May 26, 2014 at 03:25 PM