



Bennie Washington

March 5, 1947 - May 6, 2020

When I'm Gone

When I come to the end of my journey and I travel my last weary mile, just forget if you can, that I ever frowned and remember only the smile. Forget unkind words I have spoken; remember some good I have done. Forget that I ever had heartache and remember I've had loads of fun. Forget that I have stumbled and blundered and sometimes fell by the way. Remember I have fought some hard battles and won, ere the close of the day, then forget to grieve for my going, I would not have you sad for a day, But in summer just gather some flowers and remember the place where I lay, and come in the evening when the sun paints the sky in the west, stand for a few moments beside me and remember only my best.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ *What a Elegant, Great Champion*

McKee White Joulivee - October 30, 2021 at 07:37 PM

AW

“ *I am gonna miss talking to you bff only if I had known you was going through a battle I didn't know I am really gonna miss you I know you are in a better place no more pain I love you bff you were truly a friend 44yrs*

Annie Wilson - July 18, 2020 at 02:35 PM

DA

“ *Ire, I am praying for you and your family of the loss of Bennie. May God comfort and strengthen you. Your friend always, Dorothy.*

Dorothy Allen - June 26, 2020 at 10:17 AM

RM

“ I was sorry to hear about the passing of my friend and classmate. Bennie and I grew up together in our hometown of Lake Village, arkansas, We even lived on the same street, and often walked to each other house to visit. We often ate at each others home, and our families were very close. I felt as though his family was my family also. Howard and Bennie were like brothers to me, while Mary, Liz, and Rose were like my own sisters. I was over their house so often , their parents probably felt that I had adopted them as my parents. Bennie and I was so close in both Middle and High School that we sometimes wore each others sweater or jackets. In our Junior Class year book pictures both Bennie and I can be seen wearing the same sweater, in this case it was actually my sweater. I often helped Bennie deliver sales papers for a local grocery store and he would sometimes help me with homework or after-school chores. I will never forget the way I felt when Benny and his family moved to Las Vegas, Nevada, It felt as though my own family had moved away, leaving me behind and abandoned. Bennie and I communicated often over the next year, which was our senior year. It felt strange for us not to be graduating from the same high school. After finishing college several years later, I decided to surprise my friend Benny and his family by driving out to Vegas. Benny met me at a certain location , and I followed him back to his home. I was going to be in Vegas for a week, Bennie insisted that I stay with him. He took me over to visit his mother, I was so happy to see her again after so many years. He showed me around Vegas to get a feel of the night life. I will never forget my visit to vegas, Bennie made me feel that we were still closer than friends , more like brothers. I could never fully thank Bennie or his entire family enough for the genuine friendship and love that was demonstrated by each one of them towards me .Benny, May God Reward You Greatly! Your Forever Friend!Richard McCree

Richard McCree - June 25, 2020 at 02:39 PM

MT

“ *Bennie Washington*

Mary Thrower-Washington - June 14, 2020 at 01:00 PM

MT

“ *Your life was a blessing, I love you and miss you so much every day.*

Mary Thrower-Washington - June 14, 2020 at 12:55 PM

EA

“ *Sending condolences to the Washington family on the passing of your loved one and my former classmate.*

Euneva Barnes Acker - June 06, 2020 at 07:12 PM

NC

“ *Melisa and I are coworkers and friends of Dell and felt like we knew Bennie through her. We both always checked in and wanted to see how he was doing. It was always a pleasure to hear about him and see Dell's love and devotion for her husband. When we heard he passed, we also lost a friend, even if we didn't intimately know him.*

Nick and Melisa Caputo - June 05, 2020 at 05:04 PM

CL

“ *Bennie always made me feel so welcome and part of the family, and so welcome in his home when we used to visit and stay with him. I'm grateful that we have lots of happy and fun memories with him during our holidays, and I will always cherish those memories ❤️ Bennie was such a kind and genuine soul, and we will miss him so much. Xx*

Charly Luck - May 29, 2020 at 07:49 PM

LT

“ *The wings of eternity whispers a prayer. We are saddened by your loss. Bennie always welcomed us when we visited. RIH Bennie. Lee and Sharyn*

Lee and Sharyn Taylor - May 29, 2020 at 05:52 AM

LT

“ *May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived. We always felt welcomed when we came to visit. We will be lifting the family up in prayer. RIH Bennie. Lee and Sharyn*

Lee and Sharyn Taylor - May 29, 2020 at 03:50 AM

HO

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Bennie passing. No words can describe how sorry we are for your loss. Our thoughts are with you all. Prayers for peace, comfort and loving memories to forever hold in you all's hearts. Our deepest sympathy, Henry and Jackie OHara*

Henry & Jackie OHara - May 28, 2020 at 07:12 PM

NS

“ *Bennie Washington*

Natasha Stoudamire - May 28, 2020 at 03:38 PM

SF

“ *Ire my dear friend, I was truly reminiscing on the time we all spent together when me and my husband visited Las Vegas. I am so glad I had the chance to meet Bennie and have those memories to reflect on. Im praying for you as well as the family. Love Always Sandra F.*

Sandra Franklin - May 28, 2020 at 03:16 PM

JC

“ Back in 1984 when we met for the wedding in Chicago, I enjoyed you and wished we had more time to get to know each other, but what I could not have known then was that I would move to Vegas and we would form an amazing friendship, where we got to go to all kinds of events and see celebs and just run up and down the road a bit. You became my road dog and that bond was real. You were like a brother, a best friend, and at times even a dad. Being at CinemaCon with you and being that close to Brad Pitt and Chris Pine was so cool and to be able to share that with my road dog was truly special. Thanks for rolling with me always, I love you bruh, and we'll meet again.

John Conley - May 25, 2020 at 06:17 PM

VW

“ Bennie was a true friend and gracious coworker--a truly good person. He made coming to work so much more pleasant. Sympathies to the family.

Velma Watkins - May 24, 2020 at 06:46 PM

NC

“ In loving memory of a wonderful person. We will love you and miss you always.

Norma Cherry - May 23, 2020 at 05:26 PM

CT

“ Bennie Rip the angels have another great man. U will truly be missed. until we all meet again look down upon us and we will look up to u

Carol Tagler - May 21, 2020 at 03:59 AM

MT

“ *Bennie Washington*

Mary Thrower - May 20, 2020 at 10:27 PM

MT

“ *I am so thankful that I had such a loving brother like Bennie to grow up with and share my life. He was the best. I will miss him. Mary*

Mary Thrower - May 20, 2020 at 10:27 PM

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AB

“ *Iredell , I never new Bennie personally, but the vibe I got was of a man of class , integrity and strength . Stay strong my friend.*

Artelia Bradley - May 18, 2020 at 06:05 PM

MK

“ *My heart is with you in sympathy today & all the days ahead. Did not get know Bennie that well but when I did get to speak with him it was as if we knew each other forever. It was easy to talk to him ! Ire , I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathy also goes to bennies family. Bennie ,May you Rest In Peace*

Mary jo Kubica - May 18, 2020 at 03:05 PM

HJ

“ *Dear brother-in-law, you were so brave and fought a good fight. You were a strong and truly a genuine person. I appreciate how you treated me like your sister and I will never forget your kindness and willingness to help. Rest in Peace Bennie.*

Hester Johnson - May 17, 2020 at 09:33 PM

WF

“ *In Memory of a Special Brother* You were a special, loving brother, so full of loving deeds; who thought of others first and helped fulfill their needs. You grew up and proved to be a man both fair and true. You touched the lives of those you loved a loving son, brother, husband, father, grandfather and faithful friend. Your actions were always kind with a smile and a generous hand; anxious to please and reluctant to offend. Bennie would say it makes me happy to hear the family laughing and enjoying themselves around me. We never needed a reason to be together or celebrate, every day together became a feast. You played a big part in our lives. Not only are we losing our brother, were losing a friend, confidant and the heartbeat of our family. You were someone special, always with a sense of humor and such a joy to know. There was so much pain when it was time to let you go. The day you passed, we were all there with you, it seemed like another family gathering, although we felt that it would be your last. As always, you were smiling and you tried to speak because you could hear the conversation and laughter in the room. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but, as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again. Bennie, we love you; we still feel your energy and were even more connected because of it. You will always be in our hearts and we will miss you very much. Howard, Mary, Liz, Rose, Trish & Butch ❤️

Washington Family - May 17, 2020 at 08:33 PM

IW

“ *All my love..*

Iredell Washington - May 17, 2020 at 08:04 PM

IW

“ *I love you Dell*

Iredell Washington - May 17, 2020 at 05:51 PM

IW

“ Bennie was such a wonderful man. Im not sure I can really express just how much I will miss him. Not only was he a wonderful husband, but, a wonderful son, brother, father, grandfather, best friend and so much more. Bennies ability to make everyone feel comfortable, secure and loved were his greatest strengths. Bennie and I were childhood sweethearts. We met at Central High School in Lake Village, Arkansas. Bennie moved away with his family to Las Vegas, Nevada at the beginning of his senior year, so, we didnt see each other anymore but communicated through letter writing for many years. We each followed our life journey and then we reunited 20 years later. He was still smart, charming, friendly and with that same warm smile. We reunited with the rekindling of our feelings for each other and married soon after. Bennie, you taught me, through everything weve been through over these past years, to never let a day go to waste. I was supposed to spend the rest of my life with you and I realizeyou spent the rest of your life with me. I smile because I know you loved me till the day you went away. I will keep loving you until the day were together again. Bennie, you will always be in my heart and the love I have for you will never die. Loving memories, Dell

Iredell Washington - May 17, 2020 at 05:06 PM

NT

“ My Dearest Uncle Bennie, Thank you for always accepting me. I will miss the family times at your house; always so much fun. I love you with all my heart and I will miss you. ❤️

Nicole Thrower - May 17, 2020 at 11:04 AM

EW

“ My most deepest condolences...I am sorry for the loss of Benny .May he be at peace .Hold on to the good memories of him. Mrs. Dell and his family are Strongly in my prayers.

Emily Washington - May 16, 2020 at 09:22 PM

BM

“ I AM SO SADDENED TO HEAR OF BENNIES PASSING. HE WAS SUCH A COOL GUY! SO TO IRADELL AND ALL THE FAMILY, HE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT AND STAY STRONG AND JOY STILL COMES IN THE MORNING. RIP MY FRIEND!

Betty Mitchell - May 15, 2020 at 07:34 PM

MM

“ Uncle Bennie, you and Aunt Dell always made me feel welcome when I visited Las Vegas. You not only made me feel at home but you and Aunt Dell allowed my Dad to be apart of your home when he most needed it. You always had an encouraging word for me. I love you and you will be truly missed. Your Niece, Mechelle.

Mechelle Miles - May 15, 2020 at 06:23 PM

CL

“ May you be at peace Benny. God has you now. Rest in the Lord.

Christine LeCompte - May 15, 2020 at 11:54 AM

DS

“ Grief can be so hard, but our special memories help us cope. Remembering you and your loved one today and always.

Deborah Smythe - May 14, 2020 at 04:16 PM

RS

“ Bennie Washington

Ruth Simpkins - May 14, 2020 at 02:25 PM

LG

“ My heartfelt condolences to the Washington family. Embrace the memories as Bennie embraced life. I will always remember how he made me feel welcome when I was visiting in Vegas. May God comfort you and keep you close in his arms. You will remain in my Prayers.. Your Friend, Laura

Laura Green - May 13, 2020 at 09:14 PM

IB

“ My family and I want to extend our condolences to you and family. So very sorry For this tremendous loss. May you find comfort in God.

IRENE Banister - May 13, 2020 at 09:01 PM

DM

“ My heart goes out to Dell and Bennie's family at this difficult time. Bennie was such a great guy. I will never forget how he was there to help with my relocation from Chicago almost 30 years ago. Rest in peace, dear friend.

Debbie Monroe - May 13, 2020 at 08:12 PM

PM

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Patrina McDonald - May 13, 2020 at 12:11 PM

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“ *Im heartbroken Ive survived all kinds of loss and trauma in my life but Im at a complete loss for words at this time.RIP Dad Bennie Washington Im grateful for the time that we shared and the short heartfelt conversations that we had in the last year. Im relieved knowing that you are no longer in pain and at peace with the deepening of our relationship prior to your passing. I just wish we had more time... alone. So many words left unspoken and we never got the chance to take that father daughter trip that we discussed. I love you forever ❤️ You were the 1st love of my life.*

Patrina McDonald - May 13, 2020 at 12:11 PM

MH

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

maureen house - May 13, 2020 at 11:26 AM

GB

“ *Dear Mary, So sorry to hear of your brothers passing.May the love of friends and family carry you through your grief.I wi keep you in my prayers*

Gail Bowers - May 12, 2020 at 01:55 PM

SP

“ Cherish the memories shared with you And family!! Love and prayers , Sadie and family!! Benny will live forever in your heart.

Sadie Paris - May 12, 2020 at 12:33 PM

PT

“ With deepest sympathy, our condolences and heartfelt prayers to the Washington Family...may the God of all Comfort be with you during this very difficult time. Love and Prayers

Patricia Williams Thomas - May 12, 2020 at 02:27 AM

SC

“ Praying for the family. RIP

SHIRLEY CLOUDE - May 11, 2020 at 09:03 PM

BL

“ May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow, I pray that you will feel Gods abundant love as you walk through this time of grief. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Brenda Love - May 11, 2020 at 08:55 PM

DA

“ I feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to spend time with Bennie as his nurse over these last year and half . He was such a kind joy filled man. Watching his strength and perseverance no matter what obstacles came his way was inspiring. I will miss you Bennie. Knowing your enjoying yourself with the Angels .. Love Debra Apsara RN

Debra Apsara - May 10, 2020 at 11:34 PM

EA

“ *May the family find peace in the beautiful memories you shared with Bennie.*

Euneva Barnes Acker - May 10, 2020 at 09:43 PM

TH

“ *Rest in peace my fellow IBEW 357 brother, my steward for all those years at the generator shop and most of all my friend. I will miss you but I well never forget you.*

Terry Heins - May 10, 2020 at 09:31 PM

JW

“ *Words cant express how much Benny will be missed forever grateful and thankful he was a big inspiration in my life.*

Jeremy White - May 10, 2020 at 07:55 PM



“ *My heart goes out to the Washington family, Im like a sister to Bennie and his siblings . Actually Mary is my best friend. I remember spending holidays at Bennie s with his family. He would never do the cooking, but his doors were always open to offer his home to host the holiday dinners. Always smiling and making sure his Mom and family were comfortable, while engaging in a game of pool with his guests.Ive known Bennie for as long as Ive known Mary. Always smiling! One of the most genuine guys that I knew. I share in the loss of such a great person, always willing to share a helping hand.May you RIP, my dear brotherYour kind spirit will surely be missed!With much love & condolences to his family❤️
Gerri Purcell*

May 10, 2020 at 07:05 PM

PM

“ On the behalf of my family to yours we send our deepest sympathy and condolences. Please know you remain in my heart and prayers being encouraged. Love and Blessings Paula McDonald and Family

Paula McDonald - May 10, 2020 at 02:27 PM

JD

“ Our heartfelt condolences to the Washington family, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

James&Lucretia Day - May 10, 2020 at 12:39 PM

WW

“ My Uncle Bennie was the kindest, coolest guy out there. He truly embraced life and always managed to keep himself busy. So generous and selfless he would often do so much to help others ahead of himself. That is the kind of guy Bennie was, so laid back and chill but never lazy with nothing to do. He always made such an effort for me, my partner Charly, my Dad Butch and his partner Mari when we would fly over to visit. He really made us all feel at home, my Uncle was so warm and welcoming that just being with him was a big part of the trip. Words cannot describe how much Bennie will be missed. When we are back in Vegas it won't feel the same but his memory will live strong. Bennie has always been a big inspiration to me, I have always been so proud of him and all he achieved. I hope you know how much you mean to me Bennie. Love you unc, Wesley

Wesley Washington - May 10, 2020 at 06:21 AM

RM

“ Ben it's been my pleasure to call you friend for almost sixty years. You must be lauded for your example of an exemplary person...Thank you, we are better because of your example...My condolences to family

Robert McNeal - May 09, 2020 at 10:19 PM

MR

“ My friend, my brother from another mother, my school buddy and my fellow IBEW brother. You will be missed and remembered , in my memory, always.

Melvin Rosemond - May 09, 2020 at 09:58 PM

WS

“ May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.

Willie B . Coleman Smith - May 09, 2020 at 09:10 PM

SC

“ In loving memory of a great, kind, and wonderful man. May you rest in heaven. My condolences to Dell and family. May God continue to give you strength.

Stephanie Conley - May 09, 2020 at 07:33 PM

DL

“ Bennie Washington

Dorothy Livingston - May 09, 2020 at 06:43 PM

NP

“ *Bennie , you always made me feel welcome whenever I came to Vegas. We were just related by your marriage to my aunt, we were family. I am proud to call you my uncle and will miss you. Love Nate.*

Nathan Parker - May 09, 2020 at 05:07 PM

JH

“ *My heart goes out to Benny and the family I will always care for you*
❤️

Jackie Hall - May 09, 2020 at 05:05 PM