



Dana "Bud" Rowland

October 20, 1950 - March 24, 2025

Dana "Bud" Rowland, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend, passed away on March 24th, 2025, at the age of 74 surrounded by his family.

Dana is preceded in death by his parents, Curtis and Mae Rob Rowland. He was a devoted husband to Patricia Rowland, with whom he shared 51 wonderful years of marriage. Together they built a loving family that includes their children: Tonya (Jim) Reed, Scott (Tisha) Rowland, and Amy (David Maggied) Donato. Dana cherished his nine grandchildren: Tyler Reed, Jessica (Tanner) Davidson, Taylor (Delana) Reed, Cody (Molly) Marks, Tanner Rowland, Dylan Marks, Hailey Donato, Emily Rowland, and Brayden Maggied. He was also blessed with six great-grandchildren, who brought him much joy. Dana is also survived by his 2 sisters Sandy (Ray) Nichols and Tammy (Tom) Akers as well as many nieces and nephews whom he adored and could always bring a smile to their faces.

A proud graduate of Glencliff High School, Class of 1968, Dana went on to faithfully serve in the Tennessee Air National Guard from 1968-1974. He built his career with Roadway Express dedicating over 30 years of service as garage manager before retiring. A passionate sports fan, Dana found great pleasure in cheering on his favorite teams and spending time watching games with friends and family.

Known for his quick wit and love of laughter, Dana was the biggest jokester in any room. His sense of humor and kind heart left a lasting impact on everyone

who had the pleasure of knowing him. Above all, Dana cherished his role as “Poppy” to his grandchildren, who brought him immense joy and pride. His legacy of love, laughter, and warmth will live on in their hearts forever. He will be deeply missed but forever cherished

In honor of Dana's life, a celebration of his legacy will be held at a later date. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to all who have offered their love and support during this time.

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Bryan Winfree planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dana "Bud" Rowland.

Bryan Winfree - March 28, 2025 at 10:52 AM

BW

“ Bryan Winfree purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dana "Bud" Rowland.



Bryan Winfree - March 28, 2025 at 10:52 AM

LW

“ I worked with Bud many years at Roadway Express. We had a lot of fun working together in the shop. He had such a great sense of humor and a very sharp wit. He will be missed.

Larry Walker - March 25, 2025 at 08:34 PM

RA

“ Work with Bud for many years at Roadway and I never seen him upset. Always easy to work with and get along with. My condolences to the family.
Robert Anderson

Robert Anderson - March 25, 2025 at 05:59 PM

PC

“ Our families made quick friends when we both moved to Florida. So many memories of our Sundays at the beach. Always a time of laughter and joking. Dana's quick wit. His amazing knowledge during trivia games and silly fun during Sorry and Uno. Rest in peace. Love Pat and Rick Cox

Pat Cox - March 25, 2025 at 04:46 PM

JS

“ Dana will be greatly missed! I especially enjoyed working with him while our boys Scott and Chris were in Scouts! He helped make every meeting interesting for the boys . Cheering them on at their sports games, and relishing in their efforts. His presence will be missed! Patty, we are thinking of you and the family during this very trying time.Love you greatly.
Janice, Butch and Chris Shepherd

Janice, Butch, and Chris Shepherd - March 25, 2025 at 02:32 PM

MT

“ Think of Dana whenever you look at the ocean blue, above your head the white seagulls take flight, each morning Dana would be our of sight. Just sitting in the sand watching the tide roll in and out. There is no doubt his spirit will be there no doubt

Marcy Terwilliger - March 25, 2025 at 02:25 PM

GL

“ So sorry for your loss. Our heart and prayers are with the family 🙏🙏💕

Gloria - March 25, 2025 at 02:04 PM

DK

“ Love you Dana Rowland!💔💔💔

DEBBIE KAYLOR - March 25, 2025 at 02:01 PM

SJ

“ This gentleman had a way of making me laugh and smile while in his presence. He always kept a smile on his face, even when pain was unbearable and uncomfortable. I'll cherish the trips we were able to make together and all the laughs we were able to share. God bless the family who mean so much to me. Papa Steve Jones.

steve Jones - March 25, 2025 at 01:49 PM

ML

“ As a classmate, I always enjoyed Dana's quick wit and sense of humor. We all reconnected through several class reunions and through face book. You could tell he loved life and his family. You will be missed friend. ❤️

Martha LeBlanc - March 25, 2025 at 01:49 PM