



## Lester "Bud" Leo McBride

November 9, 1950 - December 17, 2023

Lester "Bud" Leo McBride age 73 of Cooks Mills, IL passed away Sunday, December 17, 2023, at his residence in Cooks Mills, IL.

A memorial service in his honor will be held at a later date. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938 is in charge of arrangements.

Bud was born on November 9, 1950, to the late Lester Leo McBride Sr. He is survived by his lifelong companion of twenty eight years, Kim Michelle Strong of Cooks Mills, IL; five children: Melissa Creek and husband Dan of Mattoon, IL, Brandi O'Dell and husband Scott of Mattoon, IL, Josh McBride and significant other Carol Betterton of Shelbyville, IL, Andrew Strong of Eugene, OR, Jodie Strong of Evansville, IL; one brother; one sister; nine grandchildren: Dakota Ashworth, Hallie and Ross McBride, Dillon Howard, Daryl and Mark Winnett, Shaylee, Kendall, and Lydia Strong; and three great-grandchildren.

Bud proudly served his country as Sgt. in the United States Marines from 1971 to 1974 in the Philippines. He worked in construction as a concrete finisher for Plasters & Cement Masons Local 143 until his retirement. After his retirement he took to the open road as a semi-truck driver.

Most at peace in nature, Bud was passionate about deer hunting, fishing, boating, farming, and riding his Harley. He enjoyed cutting wood, woodworking and was very patriotic.

Above all, spending time with his family brought him much joy. He cherished every moment spent with his children and grandchildren. Bud will be deeply

missed and forever remembered.

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# Tribute Wall

JA

“ Our family is all dicks you guys really could not have mentioned all of the family that tide buddy together. I hope our family does better than this in the future. I love you all get your s\*\*\* together

Jadyn - June 06, 2024 at 09:20 PM

DG

“ Donna Gulbert lit a candle in memory of Lester "Bud" Leo McBride



Donna Gulbert - December 20, 2023 at 06:12 PM

CS

“ Bud it was such a pleasure knowing you and listening to your stories. You'll be missed and Rest Easy. Much love to you in heaven, hang out with Pop it will be ok.

Chris Schultz - December 19, 2023 at 07:27 PM

DS

“ Diane Shain lit a candle in memory of Lester "Bud" Leo McBride



Diane Shain - December 19, 2023 at 12:45 PM

DS

*My deepest condolences to you and your family Kim. I know what Bud meant to you. You were a good pair together. He was a talented man and will be missed. Take comfort in your memories and family and friends, including me.*

**Diane Shain** - December 19, 2023 at 12:48 PM

BN

*“ My deepest condolences to you, Kim.  
My heart goes out to you.*

**Bonnie Neal** - December 19, 2023 at 09:32 AM

EL

*“ My heart goes out to Kim and his family....He will Always be Your Bud Kim ..He was a kind man who was enjoying his life. Cherish all your wonderful memories..*

**Elaine** - December 19, 2023 at 12:39 AM

JA

*“ My heart goes out to all of you. Especially Kim who loved him dearly. He was quite a guy with so many talents. I know you all will miss him immensely.*



**JaneAdams** - December 18, 2023 at 06:45 PM

DC

*Kim I'm so sorry for your loss,I know how much you loved him. He will live on forever in your heart. Hugs ❤️*

**Denise Cox** - December 18, 2023 at 07:50 PM

BP

*Love you sis. Hugs ❤️ he will forever be your “Bud”*

**brenda park** - December 18, 2023 at 09:22 PM

JT

*Josh sorry for the loss of your dad. Your old bus driver.*

**Jill Tate** - December 18, 2023 at 11:20 PM

PS

*Kim, my heart goes out to you and the family. He was quite a good man*

**Peggy Swinford** - December 19, 2023 at 08:05 AM

BH

*So very sorry to hear this. Prayers for healing and comfort for the family. He will be missed by many. Kim, if I can be of any help, please reach out. I am just up the road. Thinking of the family at this difficult time.*

*Barb Herman*

**Barb Swisher Herman** - December 19, 2023 at 08:14 AM

CH

*Opie his nickname years ago Jim and I you will always have a special place in our heart Kim I'm sorry for your loss and to his children Im sorry ❤️*

**Chloann** - December 19, 2023 at 09:02 AM

PM

*I pray for peace and comfort for all of his family. Kim, I am so very sorry for your loss. Losing someone is so difficult and even more so at this time of year. Keeping you in my prayers.*

**Patsy Harmon McMillan** - December 19, 2023 at 09:37 AM

DR

*I didn't know Bud but I knew Kim and her Love for Bud... this isn't going to be a easy road to go on but with the love and support for Kim, her Family and Bud's Family and Friends it will make it easier to endure.. Bud is now enjoying Heaven and that is something to Rejoice about and bring on the smiles.. Hugs and Prayers to Kim, and All that were apart of Bud's Life.. ❤️🙏❤️*

**Diane Rausch** - December 20, 2023 at 08:35 AM

AB

*I met Bud and Kim at a vendor event. My heart goes out to the entire family and all of their friends.*

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**Ann Barnum** - December 21, 2023 at 11:04 AM