



Elijah Ronald Asbury

January 10, 1941 - December 19, 2014

Elijah Ronald Asbury, 73, of Kermit, WV, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, December 19, 2014. He was born January 10, 1941 to parents Curtis and Millie Asbury of Dunlow, WV.

He graduated Crum High School in 1958 then pursued a Bachelor of Arts at Marshall University. In 1962, he began his teaching career at Ceredo Kenova High School where he coached Jr. High football. Several years later, he taught at Crum High School where he eventually became Assistant Principal. In addition to teaching, he worked as a car salesman at Price Motors in Williamson. In 1965, he proudly opened Kermit Western Auto in Kermit, WV where he later retired.

An active member of the Fairmount Church, he served as a Deacon for approximately twenty years. Community involvement and improvement projects were always a passion of his.

He is survived by his adoring wife, Doris, of fifty-five years; two doting daughters, Rhonda Clovis and husband Matt, Melissa Cagigas, and son Jimmy; three grandchildren, Sarah Blackburn and husband Jeff, Rachel Doss and husband Todd, and John Cagigas; as well as one great-grandson, Wade Blackburn.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11AM Sunday, December 21 at Fairmount Church in Dunlow, WV by Elders Emanuel Ferguson, Gid Marcum, Jesse Allen, and Bobby Perry with graveside rites at the Asbury Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-9PM on Saturday December 20 at Richmond Callaham Funeral Home in Warfield, KY.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Bill Marcum and Lois Justice for their special care and consideration in his final days.

Cemetery Details

Asbury Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Callaham Funeral Home, Warfield Location
51 Riverfront Rd.
Warfield, KY 41267
(606) 298-3501
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Service

DEC 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fairmount Church
Dunlow, AK

Tribute Wall



“ Callaham Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Callaham Funeral Home - December 20, 2014 at 03:35 PM

MP

This video was a perfect tribute to his life and expressed the true essence of how much love he had for his family.

Michelle Preece - December 21, 2014 at 07:55 AM

RO

Tears flow

robin - December 21, 2014 at 01:29 PM

CB

A wonderful tribute to a great well loved man. He will never be forgotten.

carrie bragg - December 21, 2014 at 10:56 PM

KP

you know I could write on hear a lot of good things but i'll sum it up, Mr. Asbury will be missed in so many way's it would be hard to list them all, so i'll just say solong for now until we meet over in heaven, Mrs. Asbury and family i'll surly be praying for you, god bless all.

kelly perry - December 22, 2014 at 05:32 AM



"My cousin Elijah Ronald Asbury was such a Blessing to ALL who met him! Elijah was the correct first name, since he was God's and God was his. I did not even know he was my cousin until I had him as a teacher at Crum High School in 1968 and he "Inspired Me With His Wisdom & Joy" and I went home and told my mother. She said, "Son, the Ferguson's are cousins of his." Ronnie and Lois both taught me in High School and "Inspired me to become "A Peacemaker!" I went on to spend 32 years as a Sheriff in Florida and Retired and Now I am a Sr. Pastor of a Church next to the Innisbrook Golf Resort in Palm Harbor, FL. None of this would have been possible for a "poor little country boy from Crum High School in Crum, W.V., if it had not been for Elijah Ronald Asbury and a select few and the "fire" they lit in my soul while teaching me in my youth. "THANK YOU COUSIN RONNIE!" I know when you closed your eyes here on Earth and opened them in Heaven... "Jesus was standing there say, "Well done, good and faithful Servant. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." I will be praying for Lois and your family, until you can all be together in Glory! :-) Pastor Bert Ferguson

Bert Ferguson - March 07, 2015 at 05:54 AM



Doris, I am so sorry for the typo.. As you can see, I am old and my fingers typed your name "Lois" I am so sorry.. Love You. :-) Bert

Bert Ferguson - March 08, 2015 at 11:02 PM



“ *Sister Lois and Family,*

I am saddened that Ronnie's smile & laughter will no longer be seen in "A world that is filled with Sin & Sorrow; but I also know that, "TO BE ABSENT FROM THE BODY IS TO BE PRESENT WITH THE LORD!" We will all miss him... We will all be praying for you and we have the Promise of God the Son, God the Father and God the Holy Spirit that we will all be together in Heaven! If there is anything you need, that I can say or do... I am here. Lean on God; Pray always and he will bring you through.. :-) Pastor Bert Ferguson

Bert Ferguson - March 07, 2015 at 06:10 AM



“ *I've lived away for so long, and the most unhappy years of my life were in Kermit but a few people like Ron brightened things for me there. God bless Jimmy and Ron's girls.*



LaNell - February 28, 2015 at 09:24 PM

JD

“ You were truly an inspiration to everyone in our little community, not only as a successful businessman and great family man but also as a great man of God. I truly appreciate everything you have done for Corbin. You have taught him so much. You have always treated him like your own son and never left his presence without saying "I Love You". You always let your lit shine. You will be truly missed. Enjoy the beauties in the presence of our Lord in Heaven. We love you!



Junebug and Sherri Damron - January 07, 2015 at 07:56 AM

LP

“ You were truly a second Dad to Gary. I'll always remember when Gary and I were married. You planned on surprising us at the Downtown Holiday Inn, Huntington WV on our wedding night. Going to take us out for dinner. You're the one who got surprised. We told everyone we were staying there, but in fact we had reservation at the one in Ironton, Ohio. Why? You were going to "Bell" us. LOL So many fond memories. Love to you, Doris, Jimmy and the Girls. You will always be in our hearts. Gary and Lorri Perry

Lorri Perry - December 22, 2014 at 07:38 PM

WK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during this difficult time. He was a true friend to all who knew him, the town of Kermit has lost another great citizen, but Heaven has gained a great angel.



Wanda Kirk-Tomblin

Wanda Kirk-Tomblin - December 22, 2014 at 09:23 AM

KP

“ Mr Asbury was my teacher at crum and I remember one time he caught bimbo berthal and me doing something and gave us a padeling, after that he was out by the football field at practice and he slapped me on the back and told me to never quit and get my education, that is something that has stayed with through out my life, wow what a great teacher and friend. mr Asbury and all my teachers and principal's I will cherish as long as I live, rip mr. Asbury see you in heaven, god bless mrs. Asbury and family.

kelly perry - December 22, 2014 at 05:12 AM

DD

“ He was one of the best teacher we had and the best Vice Principal. He was always so nice.

Darlene" Bragg" Davis - December 21, 2014 at 08:13 PM



“ Greta Gibson lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Greta Gibson - December 21, 2014 at 02:17 PM



Prayers for his family, work family, friends, & the community.

Greta Gibson - December 21, 2014 at 02:18 PM

SC

“ I was blessed to be a student at C-K when Coach Asbury started his teaching career. We were thrilled when he attended one of our class reunions years later. He was an inspiration and will be missed.

Sam Colvin

Sam Colvin - December 21, 2014 at 01:17 PM

GC

“ Always enjoyed chatting with Ron. He always had on a smile when he walked in the door. Praying for Doris, Rhinda, Melissa and Jimmy and all the family.



Gerrie Damron Clark - December 21, 2014 at 12:31 PM

TM

“ Thomas Meddings lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Thomas Meddings - December 21, 2014 at 11:11 AM

CA

“ Charlotte & Andy lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Charlotte & Andy - December 21, 2014 at 07:51 AM

MP

“ Ronnie, you wil be missed. I will never forget the sweet love you showed me all through my life. Thanks for always being there for me.

Michelle Preece - December 21, 2014 at 07:40 AM

KV

“ Kevin Varney lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Kevin Varney - December 21, 2014 at 07:30 AM

KV

Ron was a one in a million. He was always positive, caring and happy and it was a true pleasure to deal with him. Whether discussing business or talking about life and family, he was always the same, always. It was evident he loved his family and his town, and I am a better man for having known him. To Doris, Rhonda, Melissa and the rest of the family, please accept my condolences and my deepest sympathies. I am thankful Ronnie lived a Christian life and someday we will see him again.

Kevin Varney - December 21, 2014 at 07:35 AM

FW

“ Faye Stacy Walters lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Faye Stacy Walters - December 21, 2014 at 01:18 AM

LV

“ *Ladie Viars lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Ladie Viars - December 20, 2014 at 11:55 PM

LV

Such a wonderful example of a Godly man, Husband, Father and Grandfather.....I am continually praying for your family....love you all, love you "Viney"

Ladie Viars - December 20, 2014 at 11:58 PM

GS

“ *Gloria (Stamper)& Don Sammons lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Gloria (Stamper)& Don Sammons - December 20, 2014 at 11:40 PM

Beckie Baer

“ *Beckie Baer lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Beckie Baer - December 20, 2014 at 09:27 PM

Beckie Baer

Love and Prayers to my adopted family. I will never forget Ron and his kindness toward me and all the long talks we had over coffee and he always wanted to know if I needed anything. He was one in a million and will always have a special place in my heart for my "second dad". RIP Ron. I will always love you.

Beckie Baer - December 20, 2014 at 09:31 PM

CJ

“ *Our Love and Prayers! May God wrap his arms around you all and comfort you with his peace! Donnie and Crystal Justice.*



Crystal Justice - December 20, 2014 at 07:31 PM

DD

“ My prayers for the family of Ronald. He was a wonderful man and husband, father and friend to many. Doris I pray you find comfort in knowing you will see him again so sorry for your loss.
God bless you all
Donna Damron



Donna Damron - December 20, 2014 at 07:22 PM

DC

“ What an honor it has been to know such a wonderful man. His legacy is one of joy and love. The world is a much better place. I know I am a better person for having known him and will forever be grateful for the wonderful memories. God bless this amazing family and especially the lovely lady who graced his life. Doris Ann, our love and prayers are with you all. Ed & Diana Hensley Canterbury



Diana Hensley Canterbury - December 20, 2014 at 06:32 PM

LF

“ Luann, Ernie And Family lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



Luann, Ernie and Family - December 20, 2014 at 05:47 PM

BF

“ Belle Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury



belle ferguson - December 20, 2014 at 03:50 PM



“ 92 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Callaham Funeral Home - December 20, 2014 at 03:15 PM

UG

“ *Una Copley Goldie lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Una Copley Goldie - December 20, 2014 at 03:06 PM

UG

Love and prayers to Mrs. Asbury and their lovely family. Mr. Asbury was the most inspiring teacher I ever had (and I had some very good ones) and a classy assistant principal who cared about students. I'm grateful that I got to talk with him at the all school reunion in 2010. He was a guy who really made a difference in people's lives.

Una Copley Goldie - December 21, 2014 at 09:23 PM

RO

“ *Wonderful neighbor and friend. Will be greatly missed. Kermit lost a true friend*

robin - December 20, 2014 at 01:26 PM

CO

“ *Praying for the family. Ronnie and Cheri Ooten*



Cheri Ooten - December 20, 2014 at 01:00 PM

TL

“ *Tavie Lovins lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



tavie lovins - December 20, 2014 at 12:24 PM

TL

“ *So very sorry . Heart felt sympathy. Virgil and tavie lovins*

tavie lovins - December 20, 2014 at 12:23 PM

MW

“ *I had the pleasure of graduating with Ronnie. He was kind to everyone even in high school. He was popular in high school but he was also very humble and many times he paid for my lunch and I know he did for many others also. Any time I was home I made it a point to go up and see him and Doris. He was a wonderful person and will be missed. Goodby for now my friend and classmate.*

Margaret Jean Williamson - December 20, 2014 at 12:20 PM

DM

“ *Denise Meade lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Denise Meade - December 20, 2014 at 11:58 AM

BA

“ *Barb lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Barb - December 20, 2014 at 11:40 AM

GF

“ *Gail Fitzpatrick lit a candle in memory of Elijah Ronald Asbury*



Gail Fitzpatrick - December 20, 2014 at 11:29 AM