



Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw

January 22, 1947 - June 15, 2024

Eugene Alfred Russaw, 77, took his heavenly journey on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at his home after a hard-fought battle with ALS. He was a faithful member of Central Baptist Church and served on the usher board.

Gene attended Langston High School in Johnson City, Tennessee. He was gifted in athletics and played basketball and football. He was a star athlete with a true gift for the game.

Gene attended East Tennessee State University for a short term but was drafted into the United States Marine Corps. He served from May 2, 1966, until May 1, 1969. Gene later worked for many years at the Nuclear Fuel Services in Erwin, Tennessee, Johnson City Medical Center, and Kingsport City Schools.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents, Mae Russaw and Alfred Eugene Redd; brothers, Paul Russaw, Kenneth Russaw, and Sherrill Redd; sisters, Priscilla Russaw, Brenda Russaw-Jones, Barbara Russaw, and Catherine Russaw-Johnson; special aunt, Naomi Patton; and nephew, Reginald Russaw.

Gene is survived by his dedicated wife of 18 years, Janet Russaw; children, Geno Russaw, Josh Russaw, JaMichael Mills, and Jocelyn Mills; siblings,

John (Carlette) Russaw, Vanessa Russaw; Priscilla Ann, Melissa Waddell, and Ronja Goldson; special cousins, Viola Patton and Mary Jane Redd; he was blessed with nine grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Special thanks to the Gentiva Hospice Team for providing excellent care and to our Central Baptist Church Family.

Professional service and care of Mr. Eugene Russaw and family are entrusted to Clark Funeral Chapel & Cremation Service Inc. (423) 245-4971

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **24.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Central Baptist Church
301 Carver St.
Kingsport, TN 37660

Memorial Service

JUN **24.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

JUN **24.** 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Mountain Home National Cemetery
53 Memorial Ave
Mountain Home, TN 37684

Tribute Wall



“ *Wende Howard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw* ”



Wende Howard - March 25, 2025 at 04:03 AM

PS

“ *Had a lot of fun times at the Russaw home. My deepest condolences* ”

Phillip Shade - January 07, 2025 at 08:15 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Stevens-Bell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw* ”



Sandra Stevens-Bell - December 06, 2024 at 07:27 AM

DS

“ *RIP, my friend.* ”

DR Charles Stuart - October 25, 2024 at 12:22 PM

BA

“ *Babby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Babby - July 28, 2024 at 05:52 PM

AT

“ *I met Mr Russaw a couple of yrs ago, when ETSU reinstated football. He was a legend and gave the athletes valuable advice. He was a Humble man, praying for peace of heart to his Family. Respectfully Submitted Arnold A. T. Thomas*



A. T. - July 12, 2024 at 02:35 PM



“ *Charles Bufford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Charles Bufford - July 07, 2024 at 09:05 AM

MS

“ *Mark And Kay Sirois lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Mark and Kay Sirois - June 30, 2024 at 05:22 PM

PR

“ *Paulette Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Paulette Robinson - June 29, 2024 at 11:19 PM

RH

“ *Robert Hall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Robert Hall - June 27, 2024 at 02:47 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Sylvers sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Sandra Sylvers - June 26, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ *Gene Russaw was a great and wonderful guy. I went to school with him at Langston. He was a professional athlete in high school. He could havr gone to the NFL or NBA easily. May he rest in peace*

Terry Perkins - June 25, 2024 at 03:26 PM

KD

“ *The family of Katie Moncrief Dave sends their condolences and deepest sympathy to the Russaw family. May GOD strengthen your family during this time.*

Katie Moncrief Dave - June 24, 2024 at 03:01 PM

BH

“ *Benita Hopson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Benita Hopson - June 24, 2024 at 12:57 PM



“ *Linda Workman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Linda Workman - June 24, 2024 at 12:19 PM

KM

“ *Karen Morrison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Karen Morrison - June 24, 2024 at 10:45 AM

LB

“ Lee & Lydia Bridwell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Lee & Lydia Bridwell - June 24, 2024 at 08:27 AM

AN

“ Angelo Newman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Angelo Newman - June 24, 2024 at 08:22 AM

DS

“ Deborah Simmons-Grey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Deborah Simmons-Grey - June 24, 2024 at 12:13 AM

LJ

“ Louis Locke Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Louis Locke jr - June 23, 2024 at 09:00 AM

JM

“ *Jaan Malone lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Jaan Malone - June 23, 2024 at 07:48 AM

BG

“ *I can remember when he was born received the nickname "little gene "from his grandma Shelton Redd he brought joy to their household!*

Bobbie j Gillespie-Scott - June 22, 2024 at 10:53 PM

RN

“ *Ricky A Nobleton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Ricky A Nobleton - June 22, 2024 at 07:51 PM

WH

“ *Wende Howard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Wende Howard - June 22, 2024 at 03:16 PM

CG

“ *Praying for you all* ”



Claudia Goines - June 22, 2024 at 12:17 PM

FL

“ *Frazier Lyons sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw* ”



Frazier Lyons - June 22, 2024 at 10:34 AM

MR

“ *Mary Rollins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw* ”



Mary Rollins - June 22, 2024 at 09:00 AM

MD

“ *Melvin Drumgoole sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw* ”



Melvin Drumgoole - June 22, 2024 at 07:34 AM

LB

“ Lynn & Rayetta Bachman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Lynn & Rayetta Bachman - June 22, 2024 at 06:23 AM

BW

“ Billy G And Jane M Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Billy G and Jane M Williams - June 21, 2024 at 09:40 PM

BD

“ Brenda Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Brenda Davis - June 21, 2024 at 08:31 PM

VR

“ Van Rollins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Van Rollins - June 21, 2024 at 07:20 PM

SM

“ Sis McAdams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw.

Sis McAdams - June 21, 2024 at 07:04 PM



“ Father - Large Memorial Stone was purchased for the family of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw.



June 21, 2024 at 07:04 PM

SI

“ Sis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Sis - June 21, 2024 at 06:58 PM

ER

“ Erma lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eugene Alfred Russaw



Erma - June 21, 2024 at 06:34 PM

EE

*Rest well Cousin with our families and friends, until we meet again,
Restwell/ Your Cousin "Emogene"*

Erma "Emogene Ervin-Blount - June 21, 2024 at 06:39 PM

PD

“ *Pauline Douglas lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Pauline Douglas - June 21, 2024 at 04:46 PM

LP

“ *Lori Parks lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Eugene Alfred Russaw*



Lori Parks - June 21, 2024 at 04:14 PM