



James (Butch) Pettus Menefee Jr.

May 27, 1956 - October 30, 2025

James (Butch) Pettus Menefee, Jr., 69, of Pulaski, TN, passed away on Thursday, October 30th, 2025, at his residence. Mr. Menefee was born on May 27th, 1956, in Huntsville, AL, to James and Faye (Throneberry) Menefee.

Mr. Menefee is survived by his children, Zelda Menefee and Julianna Menefee; half-brother, Dustin Menefee (Andrea); and cousin, Stan Menefee (Shaviny).

Butch grew up in Athens, AL, and attended East Limestone High School. He worked in radio broadcast for over forty years, serving as the voice of WTKI, WKAC, and WKSR. He was devout Vanderbilt fan and a loving Christian.

Memorial service will be held at First United Methodist Church, in Pulaski, TN, at a later date.

Tribute Wall

NH

“ I played in a band in the late 70's with Butch and five other musicians. He was always the light of the party, kind, honest and a good man. I was 17 singing with Butch in a night club but my parents trusted him to look out for me and he did just that. He became a valued member of our family over the years. Mom would make homemade grape jelly and he would get so tickled at himself asking if she had that jelly ready for the upcoming crop. He used to call me to come do radio commercials for him at the station that was on Stringfield Rd in Huntsville. My brother told me last night he had passed. We are all a little sadder today knowing he will bop into the Music Store out of nowhere to check on us. Peace be with you my friend until I get to the pearly gates. My family will lift up his in prayers as you navigate the road ahead.

Nancy Hallman - November 22, 2025 at 12:54 PM

EC

“ I first heard Butch when I was working at WAAY Radio and he was working for WBHP. I finally met Butch at " Athens Broadcasting " when he was Program Director of WJMW, now WVNN. We became quick friends. One thing I will always remember , " I Dream Of Jeannie " would put Butch in stitches. You want to see Butch lose it ?, put on an episode of " Jeannie ". We had a lot of laughs, and a lot of very serious talks over the years. Sadly, we pretty much lost contact when he moved to Tennessee. A while back, I had heard from another friend that his health was failing. I know he's in the arms of our Savior. My prayers go out to all his family.

Errol Conner - November 04, 2025 at 06:08 PM

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“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Nanette Crow - November 01, 2025 at 12:56 PM

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“ Nanette Crow lit a candle in memory of James Menefee



Nanette Crow - November 01, 2025 at 12:42 AM

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“ Love you forever my dearest friend!❤️



Nanette Crow - October 31, 2025 at 09:24 PM

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I will miss you my dear!

Nanette Crow - November 01, 2025 at 12:47 PM

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“ *enola lit a candle in memory of James Menefee*



enola - October 31, 2025 at 09:11 PM

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“ *We will always love and miss you. You were an amazing Papa and dearest friend. You're in our hearts. Love Ava, Enola and Blondie*



Enola Byrd - October 31, 2025 at 09:04 PM

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“ *We'll always miss you and have you in our hearts and remember you as a great person
And as a great grandpa and father figure*

-love Ava



enola - October 31, 2025 at 08:53 PM

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“ I played guitar in a band led by Butch in the early 1980s and remember those as formative times in my life. Very sorry for his passing. His family and friends are in my prayers.

Phil Proctor - October 31, 2025 at 06:34 PM



“ I love you and i'll miss you dad ❤️



Zelda Menefee - October 31, 2025 at 02:31 PM