



Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson

October 3, 1938 - December 12, 2025

Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson, 87, of New Castle, passed away early Friday morning, December 12, 2025, at IU Health in Fishers, Indiana.

He was born on October 3, 1938, in Fortville, Indiana, the only son of Arthur E. and Catherine (Willits) Hudson.

Bud was a 1956 graduate of Noblesville High School, where he met the love of his life, Sandra J. "Sandy" Boser. He married his high school sweetheart on May 14, 1961, beginning a partnership that would span more than six decades.

Growing up, Bud worked on his grandfather's farm, where he developed the strong work ethic that defined his life. He later attended Purdue University, studying agriculture, and proudly served his country for ten years in the U.S. Army and the Army Reserves.

Bud worked for the Pitman-Moore Division of Dow Chemical for many years before moving to New Castle. In July of 1969, he founded Hudson Tool Rental, building the business from the ground up. What started as a single location in New Castle later expanded to Anderson in 1985 and Muncie in 1989. Bud was generous with his knowledge, time, and resources, helping many others get their start in the business. He remained actively involved in

the industry as a member of the American Rental Association and held offices in the Hoosier Rental Association.

Known for his selfless, kind, and easy-going nature, Bud was truly one of a kind. He loved his dogs, and there was always one at the store. He enjoyed riding dirtbikes at Westwood with his sons and his nephew, Kevin Tague, watching old westerns, collecting Coca-Cola memorabilia, and playing cards. In recent years, he and Sandy enjoyed wintering in Florida together.

Bud loved basketball, playing for many years with his sons and neighborhood kids, and was a loyal fan of IU basketball, IU football, and Colts football. He found peace spending time in the woods and great joy watching his children's and grandchildren's sporting events. One of his favorite pastimes was playing with trains in the basement of his home alongside his grandson, Josh, who helped him build the layout. Bud and Sandy were members of Mt. Summit Christian Church. Throughout life, he enjoyed hobby farming, being on tractors, and raising cows.

Above all, Bud was devoted to his family. He was always willing to help his children and grandchildren with business opportunities and guidance, leaving a lasting legacy not just through his work, but through the lives he shaped.

Those left to cherish Bud's memory include his beloved wife, Sandy Hudson; two sons, Greg Hudson (companion: Karen) of New Castle and Doug (Heather) Hudson of Middletown; his grandchildren, Lauren (Brent) Fairchild, Haley Hudson, Luke Hudson (companion: Allicen), Eli Hudson, and Kamryn Hudson; three great-grandchildren, Brinley, Luke, and Liam; a sister, Patricia Brandt Glenn of Edinburgh; and several nieces and nephews, including a special nephew who was like a son to Bud, Kevin (Angela) Tague.

In addition to his parents, Bud was preceded in death by his grandson, Josh

Hudson; a sister, Norma Jean (Fred) Edwards; a brother-in-law, Stan Brandt; a sister-in-law, Deanna (Richard) Hon; and a brother-in-law, George (Janet) Boser.

The funeral service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 18, 2025, at Sproles Family Funeral Home, with Pastor Shelly Dennis and Pastor Paul Davis officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Graveside services will be held privately at Mt. Summit Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be offered to the Henry County Humane Society by Clicking Here (<https://www.hcpetcarecampus.com/donation>) or to Riley Children's Hospital by Clicking Here (https://give.rileykids.org/campaign/719626/donate?utm_source=rileykidsweb&utm_medium=button&utm_campaign=rileykidsgiving&utm_term=general_benefit&utm_content=button-nav&c_src=web&c_src2=button-nav).

The Hudson family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the IU Health Fishers medical team, ICU and Hospice staff, and Henry County Health Care Staff and Dusti for their compassionate care.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Buddy J. Hudson.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Summit Cemetery

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Prairie, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

TT

“ Sandy, it is me Tina, from the cleaners. I am so sorry that you have lost Bud. He was a New Castle icon. And a wise cracker. Another thing to admire about him.

Tina Temples - December 22, 2025 at 12:33 AM

JH

“ Buddy always had a smile to share and was always ready to help people. We cherish his friendship with our family.
God bless,
Joe and Tammy Higgins



Joe Higgins - December 20, 2025 at 11:59 PM

GB

“ Greg Boggs lit a candle in memory of Buddy Hudson



Greg Boggs - December 18, 2025 at 05:20 PM

TB

“ The Edwards Family (Britt and Bryan) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



The Edwards Family (Britt and Bryan) - December 18, 2025 at 12:36 PM



“ 157 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - December 18, 2025 at 10:54 AM

JB

“ *Jim Burger purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.*



Jim Burger - December 18, 2025 at 10:22 AM

CF

“ *Chris & Michelle Fadely purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.*



Chris & Michelle Fadely - December 17, 2025 at 05:32 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



December 17, 2025 at 04:28 PM



“ The Lewis Family purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



The Lewis Family - December 17, 2025 at 03:46 PM



“ Jack and Liz Pippin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Jack and Liz Pippin - December 17, 2025 at 09:52 AM



“ Karl, Kurt, and the Brandt Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Karl, Kurt, and the Brandt Family - December 16, 2025 at 07:08 PM

PB

“ Patricia Brandt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Patricia Brandt - December 16, 2025 at 06:41 PM

DR

“ Dean & Laura Riddle purchased the Lord's Prayer 44" Sonnet for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Dean & Laura Riddle - December 16, 2025 at 11:09 AM

JS

“ Buddy will be surely missed for many things, but mostly for his warm smile and satiny voice - I doubt many in our community if any could say a ugly word about Buddy. I remember when he and Sandy came to New Castle they brought a long a needed service, but more then that - a friendly and heartfelt smile. Gods speed.
Jeff Smiley

Jeff Smiley - December 15, 2025 at 02:51 PM

ME

There will be so many many accolades of Bud. All will fail short to highlight what an asset he was to Everyone he met & dealt with. Mike E.

Mike Embrey - December 15, 2025 at 07:32 PM

BA

“ Bobcat of Anderson purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Bobcat of Anderson - December 15, 2025 at 12:45 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



December 15, 2025 at 11:39 AM

LR

“ Lemon Masonry Restoration purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.




Lemon Masonry Restoration - December 15, 2025 at 10:50 AM

FP

“ From Chris and Sarah Province purchased the Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



From Chris and Sarah Province - December 14, 2025 at 10:35 PM


Michelle
Moore

“ I can remember mom living next door and renting off of Buddy and Sandy in '85. He was always so nice and I am glad through life that I was able to call the whole family my friends. You all have my deepest condolences and sympathy for your loss.



Michelle Moore - December 14, 2025 at 05:38 PM

GB

“ Greg & Rachel Bouslog purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Greg & Rachel Bouslog - December 14, 2025 at 01:20 PM

VA

“ Virginia, Don & Brad Ferrin & Susan Alexander purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson.



Virginia, Don & Brad Ferrin & Susan Alexander - December 14, 2025 at 12:05 PM

LS

“ The most honest, sincere, caring, hard working, and upright man, I have ever known. We have all lost a wonderful human being and great friend.
Larry Stewart


Larry Stewart - December 14, 2025 at 12:05 PM

MC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Buddy. Always hard to lose a loved one during the holiday season. Deepest sympathies to all the family.

mary ann cook - December 14, 2025 at 11:23 AM

GT

“ Dear Sandy and family, Our hearts  are broken and sad to hear about the passing of your beloved Bud. May God's love and grace bring you peace comfort and strength through your time of loss. Our sincere love thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Bud will always be in our hearts. A wonderful man who shared his life through loving and caring for others. Sincere condolences, Gail Torgrimson and Troy Burke



Gail Torgrimson - December 14, 2025 at 10:18 AM

SW

“ So sorry to get this news. Bless your family during this trying time. Good has him in his arms now without pain. Sally white

Sally White - December 14, 2025 at 09:05 AM

MI

“ So sorry to see this Sandy and family. May God give you peace and always remember the good times!

Marlis Ives - December 14, 2025 at 08:34 AM

RW

“ *Ron & Diana Winkle lit a candle in memory of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson*



Ron & Diana Winkle - December 14, 2025 at 08:06 AM

MB

“ *Marsha B lit a candle in memory of Buddy J. "Bud" Hudson*



Marsha B - December 13, 2025 at 11:42 PM

PL

“ *Bud was one of the kindest men I have ever known. He had a rare way of making everyone feel genuinely welcome. He generously supported his grandchildren's activities and countless community events, always giving of himself with quiet humility. Bud cared deeply for everyone he knew—and even for those he didn't. His warmth, generosity, and presence will be deeply missed by all whose lives he touched.*



Paulette Lees - December 13, 2025 at 09:50 PM



“ Always enjoyed visiting with Bud at the rental. The conversation always started out with, *Hey Reasoner you got things under control at the Maxwell? My other favorite memory is when the rental was on fire and I was with him by a trailer and he asked if I could get him a job at the maxwell since he just lost his. You will be missed Bud!*

Scott - December 13, 2025 at 09:40 PM



“ *I think my husband, Wilbur, was Buddy's first customer. Buddy was so good to Wilbur and they became great friends. Buddy will be terribly missed as he was a friend to all.*

Sue Cross - December 13, 2025 at 08:15 PM