



Austin Bucklin

March 13, 1942 - March 6, 2022

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Jennings: It is with heavy hearts that we share with you that our husband, father, brother, and friend, Austin Harry Bucklin passed away on March 6, 2022. Austin was born in Jennings, LA on March 13, 1942, to Fred Bucklin of Roanoke and Myrtle Phenice Bucklin of Hathaway, Louisiana.

Austin and his sisters grew up in Hathaway, where their father ran a garden nursery and their mother was an elementary school teacher.

After graduating from Hathaway High School, Austin went on to serve our country honorably in the Air Force and marry the love of his life in 1965 in Alice Springs, Australia.

Austin was an aviation enthusiast, and a certified aircraft mechanic. He was a great provider for his family, working primarily in aviation for Riceland Aviation, Lyons Flying Service, L&R Flying Services, and Petroleum Helicopters Incorporated, among others. He also worked in construction during his family's time in Wales, UK and, later in life, became a certified laboratory technician and worked in healthcare.

He had a wonderfully quirky sense of humor, specializing in puns and witty exchanges. He was very creative and loved to draw and build control line

model aircraft, which his children were always thrilled to go flying with him. He loved animals and all the gifts of nature, and especially treasured the companionship of his pet dogs in his retirement.

He also loved tinkering with old cars and was a talented craftsman who could build and repair almost anything, but his true passion was always airplanes. He was captivated by these delicate, magical machines from his first sight of one as a child.

Austin will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him and will be remembered always for his immense strength and kindness.

Austin is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Margaret New Bucklin, his son John Austin Bucklin and daughter-in-law Margaret Theriot Bucklin, daughters Anita Marie Bucklin and Mary Ann Bucklin Long, his seven grandchildren, Alex Hebert, Julian Bucklin, Maysie Bucklin, Carli Bucklin, Michael Kunzler, Aidan Long, and Violet Long, his five great-grandchildren and his sister, Loris V. Woolley.

Austin was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Myrtle (Phenice) Bucklin of Jennings, his son, Dale Edward Bucklin of Federal Way, WA, and his sisters, Sylvia Pilcher, Alma Waldorf, and Betty Lou Landry.

Austin's family is honoring his wish of cremation in lieu of burial. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2022, at 2pm, at the Southwest Louisiana Veterans' Home in Jennings, located at 1610 Evangeline Highway. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the Southwest Louisiana Veterans' Home in Jennings, whose excellent standard of care and compassionate staff made Austin's final years comfortable and happy, and have supported the family during this difficult time.

To extend online condolences, please visit our website at [www.matthewsands
onfuneralhome.net](http://www.matthewsands
onfuneralhome.net)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

Southwest Louisiana Veteran's Home Chapel
1610 Evangeline Hwy
Jennings, LA 70546

Tribute Wall



“ *Austin Bucklin*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



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Mary Long - March 21, 2022 at 09:55 AM



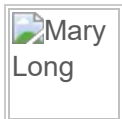
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Mary Long - March 19, 2022 at 08:47 PM



“ *Auntie Margaret and family, please accept our heartfelt condolences on the loss of Uncle Austin. What a fantastic journey you have shared. Much love, honor and respect for a great man, with a life well lived. Love Jody, Cherie, Bodie, Lochy and Jensen.*

Jody New - March 19, 2022 at 04:57 PM



Thanks Jody!

Mary Long - March 21, 2022 at 09:53 AM

LD

“ Liz Commander & Stephanie Delrie purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Austin Bucklin.



Liz Commander & Stephanie Delrie - March 18, 2022 at 10:50 AM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Austin Bucklin.



March 18, 2022 at 09:08 AM

RP

“ Aunt Margaret, John, Anita, and Mary, my condolences for your loss, I remember his planes and models at the home in Hathaway. He was so gifted in constructing and flying model planes and he was fortunate to have had a life long career in what he loved to do. Sincerely,
Paul Pilcher

R. Paul Pilcher - March 13, 2022 at 06:01 PM

Mary Long

Thanks 🙏

Mary Long - March 17, 2022 at 09:41 PM



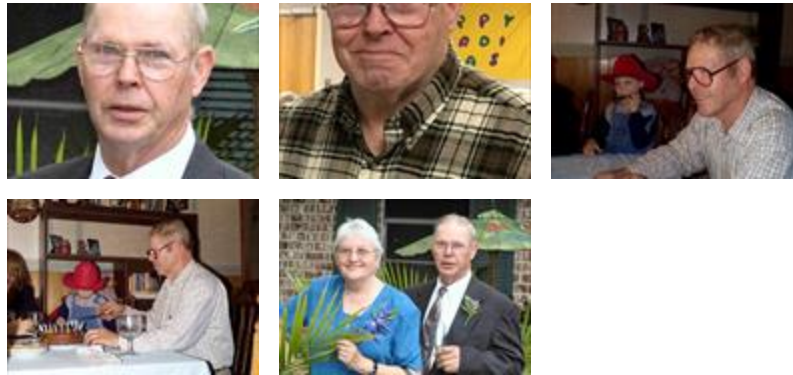
“ *Lavender & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Austin Bucklin.*



March 10, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ *15 files added to the album Austin Bucklin*



John Bucklin - March 09, 2022 at 06:36 PM



“ *Dear Margaret and family
Please accept my thoughts and prayers I'm sorry for your lost.
Austin was a caring loving Interesting and fascinating gent.
May he rest and look over you all* ♡♡

sherley smith - March 09, 2022 at 05:25 PM



Thank you Shirley ♡♡

Mary Long - March 10, 2022 at 12:17 PM

GW

To you all, I am so sad to hear this news, I was so glad I got to see him a few years ago with Mary, what a gentleman and loving man, he will be missed by all.

My thoughts are with you all xx💕💕

Gail Williams - March 10, 2022 at 12:35 PM

Mary Long

Thanks Gail 💕💕

Mary Long - March 10, 2022 at 05:49 PM

SR

I was so sad to hear this morning of Cousin Austin's passing. He was a couple of years older, but he and I spent many hours building roads in the sawdust under that big oak tree when we would come for our annual summer visit! And of course climbing that same tree. I always looked forward to visiting with him. My thoughts and prayers are with all of the family.

Shelly Hill Russell

Shelly Russell - March 12, 2022 at 10:35 PM

CN

“ *We are so sorry to hear the passing of Austin. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. It is times like these that we wished we lived closer to wrap you all in a huge hug. Our thoughts are with you and we will hold you in our prayers during this difficult time. All our love, Cindy, Gina and Clint xxx*

Cindy New - March 09, 2022 at 05:04 PM

Mary Long

Thank you 💕💕

Mary Long - March 10, 2022 at 12:16 PM