



## Danny Lee Craft Jr.

May 25, 1969 - April 12, 2025

Danny Lee Craft Jr, 55 years of age, of Jenkins passed away Saturday April 12, 2025, at his residence. He was born May 25, 1969, to Danny Lee Craft Sr. and Mary Sistek Craft of Jenkins.

He was a member of Peoples Fundamental Baptist Church and a Veteran of the US Army.

Besides his parents he is survived by his wife, Mary Short Craft; two sons, Cody Hunter Craft, John Barker; three daughters, Ashley (Justin) Fields, Elizabeth (Pete) Mason, Andrea Hatton; one sister; Kelly Johnson, six grandchildren, one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11:00 AM at the People's Fundamental Baptist Church with Nick Bentley officiating. Burial will follow in the Bentley Cemetery at Payne Gap. Visitation will be at the People's Fundamental Baptist Church after 6:00 PM Tuesday, online condolences may be expressed at [www.hallandjones.com](http://www.hallandjones.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Bentley Cemetery @ Payne Gap

Payne Gap, KY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 15. 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM (ET)

Peoples Fundamental Baptist Church  
Jenkins, KY

## Funeral Service

APR 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Peoples Fundamental Baptist Church  
Jenkins, KY

# Tribute Wall

“ I find it hard to know where to begin, because how do you sum up the impact someone like Danny had on your life? When I first met him, I was just 13 or 14—a kid trying to figure out the world. From the start, Danny welcomed me in like family. We shared countless adventures together, from fishing trips to hunting ginseng in the woods. Through every high and low, he was there.



*Danny, you helped shape the man I am today. You were more than a brother-in-law—you were a mentor, a guide, a friend. I regret that we lost time over the years. Life gets in the way, but looking back now, I wish I'd held tighter to the moments we had. I'm sorry for the time I let slip away, but I'm so grateful for the memories we did create.*

*I know without a doubt that when your time came, you didn't just walk through Heaven's gates—you busted them wide open. Your faith was unshakable. And while many say only God knows the condition of our hearts, those who truly knew you knew where yours was. You were saved, you were faithful, and on that day, you finally found the peace we all long for.*

*As the Bible says in 2 Timothy 4:7-8,  
"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day."  
Danny, you've finished your race, and now you wear that crown.*

*Time on earth is short—too short. But what you've found is not short. It's eternal. It's everlasting life, promised to all who believe, just as it says in John 11:25-26:*

*"Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.'"*

*We grieve because we're human. We hurt because we love. But our pain is not without hope. You are now wrapped in the light of Christ, embraced in a joy that never fades. I picture you now—smiling, rejoicing, maybe even worshipping with my grandmother, sharing stories, reunited with loved ones. And while our hearts are heavy, we know this isn't goodbye. It's just "see you later."*

*Here is a prayer for you and your family.*

*Heavenly Father,*

*We come to you today with hearts heavy with grief but full of gratitude for the life of Danny Lee Craft Jr. Thank you for the love he gave, the laughter he shared, and the legacy of faith he leaves behind.*

*Lord, we lift up his entire family to you. We ask for special comfort and peace for his father, Danny Sr., and his mother, Mary Craft—no parent ever expects to say goodbye to a child, no matter the age. Wrap them in your eternal comfort and let them feel your nearness in this time of sorrow.*

*We also lift up his wife, Mary Short Craft, his sons Cody Hunter Craft and John Barker, his daughters Ashley Fields, Elizabeth Mason, and Andrea Hatton. Be with his sister Kelly Johnson, his grandchildren, his great-grandchild, and every loved one who is feeling the ache of this loss.*

*Lord, hold this family close in Your embrace. Remind them that Danny is not gone—he is alive in You, rejoicing in Your glory. Help them to carry forward the strength and love Danny showed, and let his memory bring light even in the darkest hours.*

*We trust in Your promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ. May this hope sustain us until the day we are all reunited in Your presence.*

*In Jesus' holy name we pray,*

*Amen.*

*Danny, I love you, brother. You left a mark on this world and a bigger one on my heart. You will be missed more than words can say.*

*To the Craft family—please know you are not alone. We carry this grief together. I pray for comfort, for healing, and for peace for every one of you. Danny's life was a testimony, and his memory will continue to be a blessing to all who knew him.*

*Until we meet again.  
With love, respect, and deep sorrow.  
Roy Ball*

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**Roy Ball** - April 16, 2025 at 11:05 AM

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“ *Our deepest condolences. No more pain is he in now, he is amongst his savor Jesus Christ whom he worship dearly. God Bless*



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**Roger and Michelle Jones** - April 15, 2025 at 10:21 AM

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“ *Mary and John and rest of family, I am so dearly sorry for your loss. While I never met Danny personally, I have heard many great things about him. Please know that you will remain in my thoughts and prayers for continued healing and peace. Love Lori/Mamaw*



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**Lori** - April 14, 2025 at 04:08 PM