



## Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr.

December 14, 1944 - May 3, 2023

Thomas Benjamin "Buddy" Burch, Jr., 78 of King George, VA, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on May 3, 2023. Buddy was a loving husband, father and grandfather, brother and friend that will be dearly missed and lovingly remembered by all who were blessed to know him.

Born December 14, 1944, Buddy graduated from St. Mary's Ryken in Leonardtown, MD. He enlisted in the US Navy in 1966, served in Vietnam and was honorably discharged in 1972. Buddy began his career with the Charles County Sheriff's Office in July 1971 as a Patrolman. During his distinguished career he rose through the ranks from patrol to Commander of CID. Buddy retired after 24 years of service in July 1995 at the rank of Captain.

He was a devoted member of Holy Ghost Catholic Church for over 50 years and an honored member of the Knights of Columbus.

Buddy was preceded in death by his loving wife Mary "Peggy" Burch, his son Thomas Damian Burch, and his parents, Thomas B. Burch, Sr., and Margaret M. Lloyd- Burch.

Buddy is survived by his daughters Stacie Burch-Clay (Smokey) of King George, VA, Sandy Burch-Earnshaw (Todd) of Montross, VA, Sharron Burch-LeSage (Daniel) of LaPlata, MD and Jill Burch of LaPlata, MD; He is also survived by

his grandchildren, Travis Earnshaw, Trevor Earnshaw, Dylan LeSage, Meghan LeSage, and his siblings; Peggy Howard, Patrick Burch, David Burch, and Gary Burch.

Monday, May 15, 2023 family visitation from 9:30AM to 10:00AM, friends will be received on from 10:00AM until time for the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30AM at Holy Ghost Catholic Church – Issue, 15848 Rock Point Road, Newburg, MD 20664. Interment to follow at St. Ignatius Catholic Church-Chapel Point, 8855 Chapel Point Rd, Port Tobacco, MD 20677.

Repass at St. Ignatius-Chapel Point Church Hall immediately following interment. All are welcome.

Memorial contributions can be made in Buddy's name to the Holy Ghost Catholic Church Renovation Fund. Holy Ghost Church, 15848 Rock Point Rd, Newburg, MD 20664

# Previous Events

## Family Viewing

MAY 15. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Ghost Catholic Church Issue  
15848 Rock Point Road  
Newburg, MD 20664

## Visitation

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## Mass

MAY 15. 11:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr.

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr.

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ Buddy looked so much like Uncle Tom. My heart and thoughts go out to his girls and the rest of the family. So sorry for your loss.  
Love, Marlene Burch Reazin

**Marlene Reazin** - May 31, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ Peggy and Buddy, you will always be in our hearts and memories.  
Always with love, Tracey and Gary



**Tracey and Gary Burch** - May 14, 2023 at 06:55 AM

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“ *Ardrika lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr.*



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**Ardrika** - May 12, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr..*



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May 10, 2023 at 01:55 PM

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“ *From my family to yours; may peace come from the wonderful memories you all share of your father and loved one. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*  
*Elizabeth and Ronald Roberts*

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**Elizabeth Roberts** - May 10, 2023 at 07:43 AM

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“ *So sorry to see this. Another part of the old Hughesville community gone. Once upon a time we were a youthful, active , thriving bunch. We shared ball games, tree lightings, school and church activities and so many good times together. That community has grown smaller over the years, and now smaller yet with the loss of Buddy. My condolences to the entire family. May his memory be a blessing. RIP, Buddy. Anne Brooke Bowling*

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**Anne Vachalek** - May 09, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr..*



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May 09, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ *We were blessed to have Sandy and Sharron as bestfriends in high school. Our Dad would not let us do anything as teenagers. However, he would let us hang out with the Burch girls because Buddy was a police officer. If he only knew how much we corrupted them... Actually I am sure he does and now all our parents are in Heaven talking about the four of us and wondering how did they survive the teenage years. I have many fond memories of Buddy and Peggy and always felt love in their presence. They were kind, supportive and caring people that raised four beautiful daughters. We will miss your bear hugs and everything about you. Rest in peace and sending hugs to Stacie, Sandy, Sharron and Jill. God Bless you.*

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**Samantha Bowling** - May 08, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ *Love, David and Samantha purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr..*



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**Love, David and Samantha** - May 08, 2023 at 05:06 PM

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“ Sandy,

*My condolences and prayers to you and your family. May the great memories and legacy of your father live on within your hearts!*

*Lisa Rich-Sutton  
DSS Manager*



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**Lisa J. Rich-Sutton** - May 08, 2023 at 08:04 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas "Buddy" Benjamin Burch Jr..



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May 06, 2023 at 07:33 AM