



## John Wayne Bennett Jr

January 4, 1962 - December 14, 2020

John Wayne Bennett, Jr., 58, passed away Monday, December 14, 2020 upon arrival at Self Regional ER in Greenwood, SC.

Born in Greenwood, he was the son of Peggy Ann Griffin Bennett and the late John Wayne Bennett, Sr., and husband to Susan Cockrell Bennett. He was a member of Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church.

John was a member of the Saluda High School Class of 1980, formerly worked at Greenwood Mills and Cable Connectors of Greenwood, and a co-founder and heart of Country Christmas of Saluda, SC. Being a talented musician, singer, and songwriter, he lent his talents to many people. He was an avid Carolina Gamecocks and Dallas Cowboys fan. He will be remembered as a loving and caring husband, father, son, brother and friend. He was cherished dearly and loved and respected by all who knew him.

Left to cherish his memories are his wife of 34 years, Susan Cockrell Bennett, his mother, Peggy Ann Bennett of Saluda, a daughter, Amber Rene Bennett (Ben Ginn) of Saluda, a son, John Wayne Bennett III (Mitchell Toliver) of Columbia, a granddaughter, Olivia "Livi-Lou" Willa Ginn, a sister, Connie Faye Bennett of Saluda, as well as many, many friends John made throughout his life.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM, Friday, December 18, 2020 at Hopewell Congregational Holiness Church with Rev. Tommy Mitchell and Rev. Buddy Cockrell officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church and at other times at the home. Interment will follow at Bennett's Cemetery at 434 Fairfax Rd, Chappells, S.C.

Memorials may be made to Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church, 340 Hickory Grove Rd., Saluda, SC 29138 or to Hopewell Congregational Holiness Church, 785 Old Chappells Ferry Road, Saluda, SC 29138.

# Cemetery Details

## Bennett's Cemetery

434 Fairfax Road  
Chappells, SC 29037

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Hopewell Congregational Holiness Church  
785 Old Chappells Ferry Rd.  
Saluda, SC 29138

## Funeral

DEC 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Hopewell Congregational Holiness Church  
785 Old Chappells Ferry Rd.  
Saluda, SC 29138

# Tribute Wall

JG

“ *John Gerrity lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



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**john gerrity** - December 20, 2020 at 03:16 PM

JG

“ *I'm lost for words. Prayers for family.*



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**john gerrity, greenwood** - December 20, 2020 at 03:14 PM

SB

“ *Connie and family*

*I am so sorry to hear about John. May God give you comfort and peace.*

*Sandra Shaw Black*

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**Sandra S. Black** - December 18, 2020 at 11:53 AM

MG

“ *Susan and family, we are sorry for your loss and you will be in our thoughts and prayers. I remember you and John being at Deans Chapel on July the 5th. We had a special service that day, John played the piano and him and Connie sung. It was a awesome service one that we will never forget. He will be missed by a lot of people.*

*James & Miranda Goff*

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**Miranda Goff** - December 17, 2020 at 10:06 PM

DR

“ *Didi Rankin lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



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**Didi Rankin** - December 17, 2020 at 11:42 AM

LB

“ *Sending up prayers !!! Soo sorry to hear !!!*

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**Lorie Baker** - December 17, 2020 at 12:26 AM

LB

“ *Lorie Baker lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



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**Lorie Baker** - December 17, 2020 at 12:24 AM

AB

“ *Visitation For John Wayne Bennett Jr will be held at his home at 434 Fairfax Rd Chappells, SC 29037 (Saluda County) on Thursday (Dec. 17th) from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm.  
(Please utilize social distancing and masks as well as possible)*

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**Amber Bennett** - December 16, 2020 at 10:58 PM

KG

“ *Keith And Jennifer Goodman lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



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**Keith and Jennifer Goodman** - December 16, 2020 at 04:59 PM

NB

“ *am so sorry for you loss. I really enjoyed his music when he was in his band "Heartbeat". I am very much in shock at the loss. My prayers are with the family.*

*Nannette King Boswell*

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**Nannette Boswell** - December 16, 2020 at 03:25 PM

KL

“ I am saddened to hear of John's death. I have known him practically all of my life. His talents were amazing. I will always remember us leading the Homecoming service in August 2002 at Trinity Lutheran. He played the piano as he and Connie sang and I played the organ for the service. We always had good conversations whenever I would see him. Today I had part of my middle toe taken off. When I posted that this past Thursday, he sent 3 folded hands in prayer for me. Who knew then? Mrs. Bennett and Connie, he was a wonderful son and brother. I am definitely going to miss him. Ride with the angels, John.

Keith Lester - December 16, 2020 at 01:45 PM

DA

“ David lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr



David - December 16, 2020 at 12:25 PM

DA

“ John was such a talented individual not only in singing and music but in his creation of what he loved doing the most making people happy at Christmas time with ( Country Christmas ) and his favorite saying (love one another.) John you will always be remembered by your fb family and your friends.... May you rest in peace, love coming from Alabama....Dave - (Doug) as Connie would say.



David - December 16, 2020 at 12:24 PM

PT

“ Pat Turner lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr



Pat Turner - December 16, 2020 at 11:38 AM

MM

“ *Mary Helen C Martin lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



**Mary Helen C Martin** - December 16, 2020 at 11:31 AM

AC

“ *Angie Cockrell lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



**Angie Cockrell** - December 16, 2020 at 11:28 AM

GS

“ *Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of SC purchased the Springtime Wishes for the family of John Wayne Bennett Jr.*



**Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of SC** - December 16, 2020 at 09:57 AM

JL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. John was a talented musician and super nice guy. Joel Long*

**JOEL EDWARD LONG** - December 16, 2020 at 08:53 AM

BM

“ *Bill Morse lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



**Bill Morse** - December 16, 2020 at 08:12 AM

BB

“ *John will be missed. I always love to hear him sing. Gone but never forgotten. Singing with the angels know.*



**Betty Turner Butler** - December 15, 2020 at 08:52 PM

JE

“ *Your Family are in Our Thoughts and Prayers.*

*Brenda, Jerry and Your FRIENDS at The HARDWARE STORE..*

**JERRY** - December 15, 2020 at 08:00 PM

WF

“ *Every time the word piano came up, the name John Bennett came to mind. He will be missed*

**walt fern** - December 15, 2020 at 06:37 PM

IB

“ *Ida Barnes sent a virtual gift in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



**Ida Barnes** - December 15, 2020 at 06:32 PM

MS

“ *Mose & Robin Salters lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



**mose & Robin Salters** - December 15, 2020 at 06:09 PM

TM

“ *Teresa Mccary lit a candle in memory of John Wayne Bennett Jr*



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**Teresa Mccary** - December 15, 2020 at 05:14 PM