



Mr. Bobby Eugene Busch Sr.

July 10, 1934 - November 10, 2023

Bobby E. Busch, Sr., Senior Chief USCG Retired, of West Union, SC, passed away November 10, 2023. He was the husband of Joann Lee Busch and the son of the late Berline Hood and John Henry Busch (Walhalla, SC). Bob and Joann were married August 21, 1954 and shared sixty-nine happy years together. He was of the Lutheran Faith.

Bob retired in 1976 after twenty-six years of military service with the United States Navy and Coast Guard, having served in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. During his military career, He received numerous awards and commendations recognizing his service to his country.

While serving aboard various ships homeported in Honolulu, Hawaii, he served as President of the USCG Senior Chief's Association with jurisdiction in the entire Pacific Basin. He served in this capacity during his years in Hawaii, traveling to the U.S. mainland for all of the Association Conventions.

Bob also served aboard the USGC Courier on the Isle of Rhodes, Greece. This ship functioned as the only voice of America broadcasting station afloat worldwide, broadcasting sixteen languages, seven days a week. He and his family were in Greece for two years where the children learned to speak Greek fluently.

After retirement from the military, Bob returned to his native Oconee County with his family. He then began another career with Law Enforcement and was appointed Director of the Oconee County Law Enforcement Center in 1977. He served in that capacity for twenty-four years before retiring from his second career. During this period, he served as President of the S.C. Jail Administration Association.

After retirement from Law Enforcement, Bob operated a cattle farm where he raised registered Santa Gertrudis and later Red Angus cattle on a twenty-acre century farm previously owned by his grandfather, Jacob Busch.

Bob was preceded in death by a son: Bobby Eugene Busch, U.S. Navy; his grandson: Kevin Trostel; and his brothers: John Edward Busch (Barbara) and Charles Frederick Busch (Annette).

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter: Debra Busch Redford of Franklin, TN; one grandson: Joseph Franklin Redford (Jessica) of Asheville, NC; two great-grandchildren: Storm and Harmony Redford of Asheville, NC; sister: Carolyn Busch Gravely (John) of Creedmor, NC; numerous nieces and nephews; and very much-loved neighbors: John and Ginny Eck (West Union, SC).

The family will receive family and friends from 1:00 – 2:00 PM, Monday, November 20, 2023, prior to the service, at Davenport Funeral Home.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 2:00 PM, Monday, November 20, 2023, at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel with burial and full military rites to follow at Oconee Memorial Park, Seneca, SC.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to St. John's Lutheran Church: 301 W Main St, Walhalla, SC 29691 or Patriots Hall: PO

Box 591, Walhalla, SC 29691.

Cemetery Details

Ocone Memorial Park

1923 Blue Ridge Boulevard
Seneca, SC 29672
<http://oconeememorialpark.com?>

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
(864) 638-3611
davenportfhome@gmail.com
<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ *My long time best friend from being a neighbor at a very young age at Walhalla SC Chicopee Mill Village to the National Guard at Seneca SC to the US Navy in 1950. We got separated in boot camp. It was several years that we meet up again. He was always my dear friend. I'll never forget my Buddy.*

James Spearman Seneca SC

James Spearman - December 07, 2023 at 01:56 PM

JC

My heart is so saddened to hear of Bob 's death , most especially this late and I was not able to send condolences. Joann and I were very dear friends in school and walked together to school everyday. I was a friend of Bobby's having lived the street over from the family. Time changes things and not always the way we wish it could be. Time shattered my live as it has this family. Prayers of comfort .

Judy Lusk Campbell - December 18, 2023 at 02:46 PM

TR

“ *Bobbie Jean Wilson Alexander and family lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Trenia - November 20, 2023 at 09:29 AM

RW

“ *RL Wilson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



RL Wilson - November 20, 2023 at 01:07 AM

RT

“ *Randy Tilson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Randy Tilson - November 19, 2023 at 07:46 PM

LK

“ *Love, John, Sharon, David Busch & kids purchased the With Distinction for the family of Mr. Bobby Eugene Busch Sr..*



Love, John, Sharon, David Busch & kids - November 17, 2023 at 05:27 PM

LK

“ *Love, John, Sharon, David Busch & kids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Bobby Eugene Busch Sr..*

Love, John, Sharon, David Busch & kids - November 17, 2023 at 05:27 PM

HA

“ *Harold Alexander lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Harold Alexander - November 16, 2023 at 04:42 PM

KL

“ *Kathy Lusk sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby Busch*



Kathy Lusk - November 16, 2023 at 01:19 PM

BL

“ *Bobbie Ledford lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Bobbie Jean Ledford - November 15, 2023 at 05:17 PM

JM

“ *Johnny Mize lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Johnny Mize - November 15, 2023 at 03:17 PM

VB

“ Vicki Bearden lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch



Vicki Hood Bearden - November 14, 2023 at 02:23 PM

TR

“ Bobbie Wilson Alexander and family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bobbby Busch



Trenia - November 14, 2023 at 02:05 PM

JT

“ Julie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch



Julie Thompson - November 14, 2023 at 07:23 AM

DA

“ Don Darlene Albertson sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby Busch



Don and Darlene Albertson - November 13, 2023 at 09:41 PM

LT

“ *Leland Richadene Talley lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Leland and Richadene Talley - November 13, 2023 at 09:39 PM

BL

“ *Burgess (Bird) Laye lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Burgess (Bird) Laye - November 13, 2023 at 09:36 PM

JM

“ *Jim Becky Manley lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch*



Jim & Becky Manley - November 13, 2023 at 09:02 PM

PH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*



Patricia Graham Holcombe - November 13, 2023 at 07:18 PM

RA

“ Rod & Katherine Albertson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch



Rod & Katherine Albertson - November 13, 2023 at 06:51 PM

DM

“ Donna Marcengill lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch



Donna Holcombe Marcengill - November 13, 2023 at 06:41 PM

JW

“ Jeanette Wilson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Busch



Jeanette Wilson - November 13, 2023 at 04:30 PM