



Bice "Bud" Ward Jr.

August 16, 1939 - June 10, 2024

Bice "Bud" Ward Jr. passed away peacefully on Monday June 10, 2024, at Waccamaw Community Hospital in Murrells Inlet, SC surrounded by his loving family.

Bice "Bud" Ward Jr. was born and raised in Socastee to the late Leona and Bice Ward Sr. Born on August 16, 1939, Bud was a man of great faith and love for God. Known for his kind heart, his compassion, generosity and unwavering love and support for his family and friends.

Bud was a member of Heavenly Grace Ministries Church in Socastee where his dad hand-built brick by brick. A visionary entrepreneur and dedicated leader, Bud was a smart man with a keen sense for business. His Achievements and Legacy as founder, owner and CEO of various successful businesses was notable. Throughout his life he had a combined successful career as a developer and a builder, owning multiple restaurants and multiple car dealerships.

With a deep commitment to his community Bud was a man of immense humor and wisdom. Bud treated everyone like family, and he met no strangers.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife Alice Macklen Ward in 2009. Bice "Bud" Ward Jr. is survived by his son Richard Ward and wife Melissa Ward of Socastee, daughters; Tammi Ward of Socastee and Sandra Ward of Socastee, grandchildren; Morgan and husband Brandon Missigman, Trevor Hancock, Madison and husband Colt Karnes and J. Bice Ward of

Socastee; Great grandchildren; Sage Tyler, Bradley Tyler, Grace Karnes, Eloise Karnes, Alexander Missigman, Teagan Missigman, and due in June William Jack Karnes all of Socastee, One loving brother, William Henry Ward and wife Cheryl of Socastee . And a host of nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly. Bud will be deeply missed by friend's colleagues, and community.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Socastee United Methodist Church with burial to follow in church cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5:00 - 7:00 Pm on Friday, June 14, 2024, at Heavenly Grace Baptist Church in Socastee.

The Family request that Memorial Donations be made to Heavenly Grace Baptist Church 5288 Peachtree Rd. Myrtle beach, SC 29588.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is assisting the family with

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Heavenly Grace Ministries Church
5288 Peachtree Rd
Myrtle Beach, SC 29588
(843) 504-8989

Funeral Service

JUN **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Socastee United Methodist Chu
5575 Dick Pond Rd
Myrtle Beach, SC 29588
(843) 650-3373

Burial

JUN **15.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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Guestbook

JE

“ *Very sorry to hear of Bud's passing. He was always so kind to us and we always loved to listen to his stories. He will be dearly missed!!*

*Chad and Jennifer Wilson
Lakewood Neighbors*

Jennifer - June 17, 2024 at 12:29 PM

LS

“ *How I remember Bud Ward,he always had a smile on his face,even when he was sick. I will always the times I enjoyed sitting under the beach home with him and Lee. They always made me feel welcomed and helped me with the loss of my husband. Thank you Bud and Lee for everything.*

Linda Sheppard - June 15, 2024 at 02:42 PM

GB

“ GB
Glenda Browder
7 minutes ago
Lee,

You lost a man that loved you with all his heart. It was always such a joy to see you two together to experience the love you had for each other. You are an inspiration to many people!

You stayed by Bud's side during his sickness and really took remarkable care of him. He was blessed to have you in his life and the memories you made together will always stay close to your heart. It was always a pleasure getting to know Bud and you!

*With love,
Glenda 🙏*

Glenda Briwder - June 15, 2024 at 11:21 AM

RS

“ *Something that I was always taught is that the highest praise a person can give to another is to say (He was a good man) and my friend Bud was that and more. This man helped so many people in the Socastee community. He was the most caring man I ever had the honor to know. May God bless all The Ward Family. I have a request of God ..to place this man's soul in a protected and restful place. Amen.
Written sincerely by Ron Strait.*

Ron Strait - June 15, 2024 at 11:18 AM

GB

“ *Glenda Briwder lit a candle in memory of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr.*



Glenda Briwder - June 15, 2024 at 11:17 AM

JB

“ *Bud was a wonderful man and friend I have fantastic memories of when we went on the cruise. May he rest in peace. Love Joy and Whitey.*

Joy Boyer - June 14, 2024 at 09:18 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*



June 14, 2024 at 01:34 PM

CC

“ *Such a dear sweet soul who never met a stranger. He will truly be missed. Prayers for peace and comfort to the family. Cindy Curtis*



Cindy Curtis - June 14, 2024 at 01:02 PM

LE

“ I will miss this sweet man!❤️ He was such a dear friend, companion and partner of 9 years. We went on many trips with Richie and Melissa, that I will forever cherish and am so thankful for. thank you, Bud❤️ I love you!

lee - June 14, 2024 at 11:34 AM

GB

Lee,

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With love,
Glenda 🙏💕

Glenda Briwder - June 15, 2024 at 11:13 AM

CS

“ CAR Financial Services purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..



CAR Financial Services - June 14, 2024 at 09:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*



June 14, 2024 at 08:30 AM



“ *with sympathy Mills Vision Care planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*

with sympathy Mills Vision Care - June 14, 2024 at 08:30 AM



“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*



Our heartfelt condolences to the family. - June 13, 2024 at 08:47 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear this. I met Bud through Lee Crocker. They loved each other so much. I'm so happy she was able to spend the last 9 years with him and taking care of him. I am praying for Lee and all of Buds family. He will be missed greatly.*

Becky Hash - June 13, 2024 at 06:05 PM

RF

Yes she loved him and prayers for her comfort as well. She was there as he wanted her to be.

Rf - June 13, 2024 at 07:00 PM

SP

“ *I met Bud thru a very dear friend of mine, Lee Crocker. He was a very good and gracious man. My prayers are for the family and to Lee who was by his side. I*

Sonia pressley

Sonia Pressley - June 13, 2024 at 02:01 PM

WF

“ *Willie Stone and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*

Willie Stone and family - June 13, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..*



June 13, 2024 at 01:20 PM

MP

“ Mike and Ann Parks purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..



Mike and Ann Parks - June 13, 2024 at 12:52 PM

LR

“ I had the privilege of knowing Bud during his relationship with my longtime friend Lee Crocker. He was a very caring and generous man who wanted to be certain my visit was inclusive of good times with friends and lots of good food.

It has been a privilege to know him and to share in those times. Prayers and blessing on family and especially my longtime friend who cared for Bud not only as a special companion and caring partner in past nine years.

Lynn Rowland, Grover, NC



Lynn Rowland - June 13, 2024 at 12:44 PM

RC

“ Sending prayers for your loss and thinking of your family and Lee, who was a special friend who was by his side.

rc - June 13, 2024 at 09:24 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..



June 13, 2024 at 12:00 AM



“ Chad & Sharon Sprink ~ Phoenix, AZ planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..

Chad & Sharon Sprink ~ Phoenix, AZ - June 13, 2024 at 12:00 AM



“ Singleton Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..

Singleton Family - June 12, 2024 at 09:47 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bice "Bud" Ward Jr..



June 12, 2024 at 09:47 PM



“ So sorry to hear this, my thoughts and prayers are with you all. Bud was a very nice man and will surely be missed.

LeNell Rabon - June 12, 2024 at 03:00 PM

JE

Very sorry to hear of Bud's passing. He was always so kind to us and we loved to listen to his stories. He will be missed!

*Chad and Jennifer Wilson
Lakewood Neighbors*

Jennifer - June 12, 2024 at 05:26 PM

SP

I met Bud thru a friend of mine. He was such a wonderful man. He was generous and very kind. I know he will be greatly missed. Prayers for his family.

*Sonia Pressley
Asheville NC.*

Sonia Pressley - June 12, 2024 at 09:57 PM