



Alan Rall Powell

November 6, 1944 - December 6, 2024

Alan Rall Powell passed away on Friday, December 6, 2024, at the age of 80, and went to be with Jesus. Alan was a faithful Christian, a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and a friend and mentor to many.

He is survived in death by his loving wife of nearly 56 years, Lorna Luther Powell, and his children Mark (Tricia), Luke (Jessica), and John (Kira). He also was the proud grandfather to 11 grandchildren: Ethan, Kate, Aaron, Adrian, Lucy, Jude, Caleb, Titus, Baxter, Ezra, and Louie. He was preceded in death by his son Matthew, his mother Jackie Firanceck, his stepfather William Firaneck, and his brother Bill Firaneck.

Alan was born in Louisville, KY, but spent his early years in New Castle. He later moved back to Louisville where he went to duPont Manual High School. He attended Kentucky Southern College, where he played baseball. Although he was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates as a baseball player, he was also drafted by the United States Army, where he served as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. After his military service, he graduated from the University of Tennessee.

Alan was a believer in Jesus Christ and devoted his life to helping spread the good news. He was baptized at Lynn Acres Baptist Church at the age of 23, and he was later ordained as a deacon there. He and Lorna also established

the Matthew A. Powell Bible Foundation, which provided and shipped copies of the Bible around the world. Later, he also taught and served at Hazelwood Baptist Church, including his role as Minister of Education there.

For 33 years he had a career as a Highway Engineer for the Kentucky Department of Transportation. During this time, he obtained a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin. Alan was also the author of two books, "Pensive Methods" and "A View from Clock Tower Hill," which he wrote and published after he retired.

For the past 20 years, he has been a member of Kenwood Heights Christian Church where he served as teacher of the Seekers class and as an elder. He was recently awarded the status of first-ever Elder Emeritus by the church.

Alan was a big baseball fan, and always looked forward to watching and listening to games, especially rooting for the San Francisco Giants and Oakland A's. He also enjoyed the beauty of watching thoroughbred horses race and often visited Churchill Downs.

He loved his family dearly and it brought him great joy to spend time with his wife, sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren. He was thankful when the family was together for any reason, and he always looked for ways to give them encouragement and support.

Alan will be missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. Thursday, December 12, 2024, at Kenwood Heights Christian Church, 5620 New Cut Road, Louisville KY.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 13, 2024, at Kenwood Heights Christian Church. Rev. Mark A. Powell presiding.

Burial will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, December 19, 2024, at the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery in Radcliff, KY.

Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Kenwood Heights Christian Church.

Cemetery Details

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central

2501 N Dixie Blvd
Radcliff, KY 40160

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kenwood Heights Christian Church
5620 New Cut Rd.
Louisville , KY

Funeral Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Louisville , KY

Burial

DEC 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central
2501 N Dixie Blvd
Radcliff, KY 40160

Tribute Wall

MI

“ I knew Alan from he being a patient in physical therapy. He couldn't have been a nicer gentleman. Determined, Committed, resolve, hard working described Alan. A patient like him gave people like me self fulfilling job satisfaction. A person like him gave people like me friendship !

Mike - February 04, 2025 at 11:31 AM

NW

“ We knew Alan from Lynn Acres Baptist Church back in the day! Gary and I were married there in 1983. Alan was a wonderful leader and friend to both of us. Gary went to heaven last November. We both always loved Alan and Lorna. I am so sorry Lorna and family. I know you will miss him tremendously.

Nancy Williams - December 13, 2024 at 10:01 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan Rall Powell.



December 10, 2024 at 04:04 PM

AJ

“ I am a better man today for having had Alan in my life. He inspired me, encouraged me, and allowed me to follow him in teaching his Sunday School Class. What a priviledge. However, I could never get him to be a Yankees fan. Paul Reece

Ashley P. Reece Jr. - December 10, 2024 at 12:12 PM

BH

“ I worked with Alan at the Highway Department for many years. He was a pleasure to work with every day. He would often take \$2 from me as he left work and headed to the track to make a "pick of the day." Prayers for his wife and family. Barbara Hockensmith (Noble)

Barbara Hockensmith - December 10, 2024 at 09:57 AM

HG

I worked with Alan in the Right-of-Way Department for over 20 years. Alan was very nice to work with at the Highway Department. He had a beautiful smile. Henri Etta Gray

Henri Etta Gray - December 10, 2024 at 04:28 PM

AP

“ He was a wonderful grandfather to me and my siblings and cousins. I love that he tended to call us by the wrong names a lot. Will truly miss him; but know he is in a better place now.

Aaron Powell - December 09, 2024 at 03:46 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Alan Rall Powell.



December 09, 2024 at 02:34 PM

HP

“ I had the privilege of working with Alan for many years plus knowing him and family as devoted Christians. He’s been part of our extended family for years. Our kids loved and adored him from their childhood and onward. Thank you Alan, Lorna and family for the many blessings you have extended to our family and many more. Sincerely, Harold and Peggy Dawson and daughter Anna.

hpdawson@icloud.com. - December 09, 2024 at 01:22 PM



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December 09, 2024 at 01:01 PM

SE

“ Alan Powell was, hands down, the finest man I have ever known. It was a privilege to have been his friend.

Steven Edwards - December 09, 2024 at 12:52 PM