

*Graves, Russell Blair 1942 - 2004*

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**Russell Blair "R.B." Graves Sr.**

STAMPING GROUND - Russell Blair "R.B." Graves Sr., husband of Jeannie Shipley Graves for 38 years at Sebree Rd., Stamping Ground, KY, was counted among the sheep, Sun. Sept. 12, 2004. He was born Oct. 14, 1942 and raised in Stamping Ground, KY. He had worked for the Kroger Store in Georgetown, KY, for 15 years, Commonwealth Insurance for 15 years, was a tobacco farmer all his life and trained and owned Thoroughbred horses. He was a member of Long Lick Baptist Church where he was baptized in the creek. He was a member of the Scott Lodge, 702, free and accepted Masons. He was the son of and preceded in eternal life by his mother, Lucille Bruin Graves and his father Lonnie Oliver Graves, both of Stamping Ground, and his brother, Paul Graves (Carole), of Georgetown. He is survived by his sons, Russell Blair Graves Jr., (Lori Johnson), Michael Drexel Graves (Michelle Leaverton) and Michael Douglas Graves, his daughters, Lisa J. Wright (Charlie), Amy S. Walker (Tim), and Jennifer Blair Graves Perry (Duane). His other two brothers, Lloyd Graves (Linda), of Versailles, KY, and James "Jimmy" Graves (Jean-Lois), two sisters, Martha King (Paul Ruble), and Gayla Burton (Tim), all of Stamping Ground, KY. His grandchildren, Bobby Joe Cook, Thomas Wright, Carlie Wright, Shelby Graves, Jake Graves, Jesse Graves, Tyler Graves, Cheyenne Graves, Victoria Perry and Will Perry. A host of nieces and nephews including fellow horse enthusiast Jason Sexton, scores of friends, and wonderful neighbors. Visitation will be held from 5-8 pm Tues. with Masonic Rites being presented at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home in Stamping Ground, KY. Funeral services will be conducted by Harrod Brothers Funeral Home in Stamping Ground, KY at 1 pm Wed. Guestbook at Legacy.com

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