



## Jeffrey Scott Ratliff

February 28, 1955 - May 12, 2026

Jeffrey Scott Ratliff, age 71, of Kodak, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 12, 2026. Jeff was born in Syracuse, NY on February 28, 1955, and lived in Albany, NY for many years before moving to East Tennessee in 2019. He worked for 42 years for Conrail/Amtrak Railway as a conductor. Jeff loved the Lord and sharing about the mercy of Jesus. He was a people person who never met a stranger. He loved the outdoors, playing golf, fishing, and riding his motorcycle. Jeff was a proud member of First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains. Preceded in death by his parents, Oliver and Cecile Cline Ratliff; siblings, Oliver Ratliff Jr., Douglas Ratliff, Gregory Ratliff, Carol James, and Donna Ratliff; mother-in-law, Barbara Nicolini; father-in-law, Claude Thornton; brother-in-law, Jeffrey Thornton. He will be forever missed by the love of his life and wife of almost 46 years, Lori Ratliff; daughters, Alicia Ratliff and Haley Ratliff; siblings, David Ratliff, Mary Dority, James Ratliff, and Sandra Cline-Refermat; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews; special friends, Allison Murphy, Ed Murphy, and Tony Hayes. The Celebration of Life and funeral service will be held on Monday, May 18th at 6:00 PM at First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains with Pastor Tony Hayes officiating. Fielden Funeral Home is honored to serve the Ratliff family.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 18. 6:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains  
3100 W Old Andrew Johnson Hwy  
Strawberry Plains, TN 37871

# Tribute Wall

CF

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**Christie Fields** - May 19 at 09:15 AM

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**Christie Fields** - May 19 at 09:15 AM

DF

“ Jeff was the greatest friend and co worker. I have so many wonderful memories from thruout the years. He will be greatly missed. My sincerest condolences to Lori, Alicia and family.

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**Daniel e Fields** - May 17 at 01:25 PM

CJ

“ Words can't express how sorry I am about my cousin Jeff's passing. I have great memories of Jeff. Sending my deepest condolences and praying for peace and comfort for your family.” Clyde Ratliff Jr.

Clyde Ratliff Jr - May 16 at 09:34 AM



“ I remember when my best friend and I stopped at his house on our way up to NY and he took us all out for dinner and we stayed up talking all night about about everything. Everytime he and Lori came over to my sisters house we had coffee and he always the most gentle kind soul

Tommy Ward - May 15 at 05:45 PM

DV

“ Jeff was a good man  
A good husband, father, and friend he will truly be missed. R.I.P. my brother.  
(David Vaden ticket agent New York)

David Vaden - May 15 at 08:23 AM

CO

“ Condolences to the family. Worked with Jeff on the Freight side. Wonderful person to work with. Always a happy guy and worked well with everyone he came in contact with. You'll be sadly missed Brother.



Charles W Otten - May 15 at 06:23 AM

SZ

“ Even though we worked in different crafts..our paths crossed often..great smile and sense of humor. RIP Jeff!

Stanley Zeh - May 14 at 11:08 PM

LM

“ Jeff and I worked together very well and was a great conductor and friend I will always remember him. Larry Macera

Lawrence macera - May 14 at 03:36 PM

GM

“ What a great guy! Praying for Lori and entire family. He will be missed.

Gregg Morgan - May 14 at 03:10 PM

JK

Very sorry to hear of the passing of Jeff. Great guy to work with. Always had “laughs” with him. Got to know Jeff working in Selkirk before the “The Great Migration” came down from Dewitt and Buffalo (Chip City).  
Jeff and I also worked Amtrak....good to work with. He was well liked by passengers and other crew members. Very sad to hear of his passing. Rest in Peace Jeff. And God Bless his Family and Friends.

Jim Kaufman - May 20 at 02:35 PM