



John David "JD" Clevenger

March 6, 1964 - March 3, 2025

John David Clevenger or JD as he has always been known, of Dandridge, formerly of Newport, passed away on March 3, 2025, just 3 days before his 61st birthday. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and public servant, he dedicated his life to helping others and leaves behind a legacy of service, love, and unwavering dedication to his family and community.

For 29 years, JD worked at Newport Utilities, where he was a valued and respected member of the team. However, his true calling was in serving and protecting others. A lifetime member of the Newport Rescue Squad and former member of Jefferson County Rescue Squad as well as Morristown Rescue Squad. He was not only a first responder, but also an instructor with the TARS Rescue College, training future generations in the lifesaving skills he had spent a lifetime perfecting. Throughout his career in law enforcement, fire, and rescue, he touched countless lives, always putting others before himself.

Above all else, JD was a devoted family man. He was the proud father of two bonus daughters and the beloved grandfather of six beautiful granddaughters, who were the light of his life. Whether he was telling stories, offering guidance, or simply sharing a laugh, his love for his family was evident in everything he did.

He is preceded in death by his mother and father, Johnny and Josephine Clevenger. He is survived by his loving wife of 17 years LaVonda Clevenger; daughters Cecilia Ogle (Barry), Kayla Lindsey (Josh); six cherished

granddaughters Sarah, Aubree, Presley, Bayleigh, Emberly and Blakely; his sisters Mary Napier (Terry) and Joanie Sutton; his niece Sarah, nephew John and great nephew Kayden.

JD will be remembered for his selflessness, bravery, and the deep love he had for his family. His legacy of service and compassion will live on in the lives of those he touched.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, March 23rd at Nina Baptist Church in White Pine. Family will receive friends beginning at 3:00 PM until the time of the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Fielden Funeral Home for funeral expenses.

His life was a testament to the power of kindness, dedication, and love. Though he is gone, his impact will never fade. Fielden Funeral Home is honored to serve the Clevenger family.

Previous Events

Receiving of Friends

MAR 23. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Nina Baptist Church
641 Highway 113
White Pine , TN 37890

Celebration of Life

MAR 23. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

KH

“ *He coached my son and he was a good man.
Prayers for the family* ”



kim hixson - March 13, 2025 at 09:10 AM

PS

“ *I remember him from back in our school days & after. So sorry tonneau this. Prayers for his family.* ”

Peggy Stephenson - March 07, 2025 at 03:04 PM

SS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. JD was such the sweetest guy in high school, even afterwards, he would always see you out in town & leave you with a smile or laughing. He will be dearly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.* ”

Sandra Samples Steward - March 05, 2025 at 06:09 AM

CB

“ *Charles And Linda Buckner lit a candle in memory of John David "JD" Clevenger* ”



Charles and Linda Buckner - March 04, 2025 at 07:34 PM

CB

*Very proud of all the services
he did in Cocke county and his friendship*

Charles and Linda Buckner - March 04, 2025 at 07:38 PM

DB

“ JD was such a nice fellow, kind and generous with his skills and his life. He was so loved by LaVonda and their families and friends. He is gone from this earth but not gone-- he is new and improved and awaiting us all.

Diana and Harry Browne - March 04, 2025 at 09:17 AM

VE

*“ Velmerpartin lit a candle in memory of John
David "JD" Clevenger*



Velmerpartin - March 04, 2025 at 08:40 AM



*“ SamnSheryln Eli lit a candle in memory of
John David "JD" Clevenger*



SamnSheryln Eli - March 04, 2025 at 12:34 AM

TW

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss

Tina williams - March 03, 2025 at 11:54 PM

CA

“ We’re so sorry to learn of JD death, our condolences & prayers are with all the family

Connie & Marsha Ball & Amy - March 03, 2025 at 08:30 PM

KK

“ So sorry to hear the passing of my JD Clevenger. You was always a fun person to be around in school. And I always told you when I saw you that it was not far that you got to retire before me. But I am so glad you did. Go Rest High my friend.



Kathy Kelley - March 03, 2025 at 07:49 PM

KK

My friend JD Clevenger

Kathy Kelley - March 03, 2025 at 07:51 PM

DO

“ So very sorry

Duay O’Neil - March 03, 2025 at 06:48 PM

DF

“ Your family is being lifted up in prayers. May God cover you in His perfect peace.



Debbie Fox - March 03, 2025 at 03:35 PM



“ He has flown from his cocoon to LOVE of his Father. Fly high!!



Debbie Mackey - March 03, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of John David "JD" Clevenger



TonyanEdgar Wicks - March 03, 2025 at 03:15 PM