



Johnny Ray "John" Beville, age 62, of Cordova, Tennessee, died on August 19, 2024, at the Elvis Presley Trauma Center in Memphis, Tennessee from injuries sustained in a car accident.

Johnny was born on December 22, 1961 in Memphis, Tennessee. He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Lorie, his children, Kevin Beville (Ashley), Morgan MacBride (Jerry) his stepdaughter, Brittni Phyfer (Matt); his grandchildren, Layla Beville, Oliver MacBride, Rowan MacBride; and step grandchildren, Kayleigh, Kolbi, and Eliza Phyfer. He is also survived by his father, John W. Beville, his brother, Terry Beville and his sister, Andra Beville.

Johnny was preceded in death by his mother, Brenda J. Beville, his grandparents, Wesley and Kathleen Beville and Billy and Edith Anderson, and his sister-in-law, Donna Beville.

He graduated from Bartlett High School and he studied Accounting and Finance at State Technical Institute in Memphis. After graduating high school he worked briefly on a barge on the Mississippi River, but that was only an adventure. Johnny launched his career in credit/finance and he never looked back. He worked for a few different companies including as a credit manager for Snap-on Tools. In July 1996 he began his long career at Thompson Machinery. Johnny's first position was as an Assistant Credit Manager and years later he was appointed Director of Credit and Finance. Johnny recently celebrated his 28th year working for Thompson Machinery, and he had planned on retiring in January 2027.

Johnny was a Christian and he had been active in church activities over the years, including teaching Sunday School, helping on finance committees and singing in the choir.

He had several hobbies: watching Green Bay Packers football games, karaoke, music of many different genres, trivia, old cars, watching classic movies (especially horror films like Dracula). He loved to travel, and he enjoyed many vacations; some of his favorite trips were on a family cruise to Alaska and another one was to Wisconsin to attend a Green Bay Packers home game with Kevin.

He was known for being a practical joker, and of course he was the victim of some jokes right back at him. It was always in good fun. Johnny also volunteered his time often, if you ever needed assistance with anything he would help you if he could, his neighbors would agree. He volunteered many times over the years to be "Santa Claus" at different dog rescue events for Santa photos, he even got to have his photo taken with his own dogs many times. His dog, a 12 year old Labrador Retriever mix named Ellie Mae adored him and they were best buddies.

Johnny was a family man and becoming a grandfather and getting to be a "Pop Pop" was something he loved more than anything. He touched many lives, and he will be greatly missed.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that any charitable donations to be made to Team Memphis Rescue & Support (www.TeamMemphis.org) or the Church Health Center (ChurchHealth.org).

Condolences may be left on our online questbook at www.PeeblesFuneralHome.com.

In Memory Of

Johnny Ray

"John" Beville

*Date Of Birth*December 22, 1961

Date of Death
August 19, 2024

Funeral Service

2 P.M. Friday ~ August 30, 2024
Peebles West Funeral Chapel

Oakland, Tennessee

Officiant
Tim Alsup
Great Oaks Church of Christ
Memphis, Tennessee

Remarks Given by
Mr. Beville's Coworkers

## **Song Selections**

Amazing Grace by Alan Jackson How Do I Say Goodbye by Dean Lewis Down to the River to Pray by Alison Krauss Scars in Heaven by Casting Crowns