



## Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV

April 5, 2022

Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV, 69, of Lake Ridge, VA died April 5, 2022 peacefully at home surrounded by family.

He was a retired police officer with the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia. Following his retirement, Buddy worked 28 years as a government contractor. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

Buddy was preceded in death by his parents Thomas E. Blake III and Patricia H. Blake.

He is survived by his loving wife of 34 years Maureen; son Patrick (Christina) of Annandale, VA; daughter Sara of Arlington, VA; and granddaughter Giulia. He is also survived by his sister Sara of Reston, VA; brother Timothy (Patricia) of Augusta, GA; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive visitors Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 11a.m. to 2p.m. at Miller Funeral Home, 3200 Golansky Blvd., Woodbridge, VA 22192. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 1p.m. Monday, April 11, 2022 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 12805 Valleywood Dr., Woodbridge. Interment will be 1:45p.m. Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at Fairfax Memorial Park. Donations may be made to a charity of one's choice in Buddy's name.



# Cemetery Details

## Fairfax Memorial Park

9902 Braddock Road  
Fairfax, VA 22032

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 10. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.  
3200 Golansky Blvd.  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-878-CARE (2273)  
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
12805 Valleywood Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22192

## Interment

APR 13. 1:45 PM (ET)

Fairfax Memorial Park  
9902 Braddock Road  
Fairfax, VA 22032



# Tribute Wall



“ Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV

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January 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ Having just learned of Buddy's passing, please accept my sincere sympathy. Buddy reached out on Facebook a number of years ago (we went through Rose Hill, Mark Twain, and through our junior year at Edison. Our family was transferred to Arizona the summer of 1970 where I graduated high school). These many years later, it was wonderful to reconnect and see what a good life Buddy had created.

When he was diagnosed we exchanged emails regarding his, and my, cancer journey. Sadly, two+ years ago I left Facebook due to the vitriol and negativity that seemed so dominant. Now having recently rejoined, his death comes as a tremendous shock. He was truly one of the good ones! I wish comfort to the family.

Peggy Grady Murphy  
Minnesota

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peggy grady murphy - September 19, 2022 at 09:05 PM

MD

“ My husband, Richard Dassing, retired as a sergeant in 2-D (MPD), after a long career in SOD. Buddy was very dear to Richard, who just passed away in December. They shared the same health issues. Richard and Buddy would talk often about their treatments and expectations, but also about family - how well he was loved and supported. Unfortunately, I never got a chance to meet Buddy or his family, but I know how much he meant to Richard. My sincere condolences to Buddy's family, and may he rest in peace.

Mrs. Richard (Alyce) Dassing  
6174 Downs Ridge Ct.  
Elkridge, MD 21075

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**Mrs. Richard Dassing** - April 15, 2022 at 10:03 AM

EP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Edward S Pankowski** - April 14, 2022 at 05:22 PM

KR

“ Rest In Peace, dear Buddy. I know what a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, son, and friend you were, and I'm so sorry that you died too young.

Here's a memory I'd like to share. When my son David was 12 (he's now 45), Buddy took me, David, Buddy's sister Sara (my BFF), and of course Maureen out on his boat for a day of fishing. It was a beautiful day, the fish were biting, the music was blaring, and Buddy gave my son the thrill of driving the boat. A couple of years later, my son's English teacher gave the class an assignment to write about their best day ever. David wrote about that day on the boat with Buddy 😊.

Buddy will be missed by so very many and I offer my deepest sympathies to all of his loved ones.

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**Kittie Rothschild** - April 13, 2022 at 07:25 PM

KR

I had the great fortune to work with Buddy at MPDC's 2nd Police District. He was truly a good guy and good cop ! Any number of times Buddy and I were on the same scene of a police situation. He ALWAYS was there to support his fellow Officers in what ever was needed. He was indeed someone that others could depend on. He was great person who made cops and citizens feel very valued. Buddy, by anyone's perspective was a 'truly good cop !' That is considered high praise from one cop to another ! God Bless Buddy and his family! Heaven is enriched by his presence!

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**Kevin McCarthy, Sr. (MPDC - Retired)** - April 29, 2022 at 11:40 AM

MH

“ I was not really close to Buddy, but knew him while attending Edison HS (I was 1 year behind him!). I believe I occasionally played some "pick-up" sports with him and his brother, Tim. I also think that I knew him in large part through another buddy/neighbor of mine, Phil Rizzo. My recollection is that he and Buddy were very close in high school, but I have no idea if they have stayed in touch over the years. Hopefully Phil is aware of his passing away. In any case, my sincere condolences to Buddy's bro, Tim(my), and the rest of the family. I will keep you all in my prayers-----Buddy was, of course, way too young to pass at this time.....

Mark Haas - April 12, 2022 at 11:29 PM



“ /// Please accept our most sincere sympathies and prayers for strength and comfort.

*"Hearts that mourn are fragile; please take care of yours.*



*Paul (W. T. Woodson, 1964) and Susan (T. A. Edison, 1968) Luttrell*

Susan Luttrell - April 11, 2022 at 10:45 AM

PS

“ On behalf of the Tarlosky family, we are very sad to hear about Buddy's passing and so sorry for his family's great loss. You are all in our prayers for God's comfort and peace.

Pam (Tarlosky) Scarce - April 10, 2022 at 09:38 PM

GW

“ very sorry for the entire blake family

gary westgate - April 10, 2022 at 09:33 PM

GF

“ *Buddy was a great friend and co-worker.*

George W Fisher - April 10, 2022 at 10:37 AM

HS

“ *Hidat, Noah, Mussie and Samuel. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



Hidat, Noah, Mussie and Samuel. - April 10, 2022 at 09:48 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



April 10, 2022 at 09:34 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



April 09, 2022 at 07:47 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



April 09, 2022 at 01:45 PM



“ *So very sorry, Maureen and family! May God grant Buddy eternal rest! May God comfort you all!*

**Peggy, Tom and Tommy Liuzzo** - April 09, 2022 at 10:40 AM



*Peggy, Tom and Tommy Liuzzo*

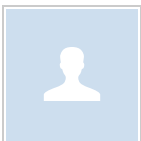
**Peggy, Tom and Tommy Liuzzo** - April 09, 2022 at 10:40 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



April 09, 2022 at 08:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



April 09, 2022 at 06:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



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April 09, 2022 at 12:07 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you Maureen, Patrick, and Sarah.  
Fondly,  
Jennifer and Jim Velesz*

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**Jennifer Velesz** - April 08, 2022 at 08:47 PM



“ *50 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Miller Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc.** - April 08, 2022 at 03:19 PM

MM

“ Mickey Matthews purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.



Mickey Matthews - April 08, 2022 at 03:03 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.



April 08, 2022 at 12:35 PM

JM

“ Jody McGowan purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.



Jody McGowan - April 08, 2022 at 12:14 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.



April 08, 2022 at 12:10 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



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April 08, 2022 at 10:52 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Thomas E. "Buddy" Blake IV.*



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April 08, 2022 at 09:57 AM