



**James "Bud"  
Walton**

*Navy*

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**Dec 20, 1921 - Mar 20, 1995**

**BIRTHPLACE: Kingfisher, OK**

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### **SOLDIER DETAILS**

**DIVISION: Navy**

**THEATER OF OPERATION: Other**

**HONORED BY: The Eisenhower Foundation**

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

James "Bud" Walton was born in Kingfisher, OK on December 20, 1921 to Thomas and Nancy Walton. Thomas was a farm appraiser and Mortgage agent. Bud worked odd jobs growing up, delivering papers, as a life guard and doing yardwork. He was on the varsity basketball team and senior President at the Hickman High School in Columbia, MO. After graduation, he attended Wentworth Military Academy in Lexington, MO. In 1941 he enlisted in the Navy becoming a Pilot. After the war Bud began working with the Ben Franklin stores, leading to his involvement in founding Walmart with his brother Sam Walton. Courtesy of Wikipedia and Military Wiki.