



Billie Gene Fell, Sr.

November 5, 1939 - April 21, 2023

Billie Gene Fell, SR was born on November 5, 1939 to Richard and Rosa (Cagle) Fell. He departed this world on April 21, 2023, to join his Lord and Savior and his beautiful wife Bobbie June Hightower Fell in a heavenly reunion.

Gene was a great man, a war hero, but most of all he was a good Christian man, great husband, dad, PawPaw, brother and friend to many. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, riding horses, riding motorcycles, camping, hanging out at Jacks and telling his many stories and anyone who knew him will tell you, he was one of the best story tellers.

He joined the National Guard when he was a junior at Phillips High School and went on to enlist in the U.S. Army at the age of 18, he served his country and retired in the Special Forces, Green Beret as a medic. Gene, served two tours of combat in Vietnam, where he was awarded 2 Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. His career in the Army took him and his family to live in various places, being stationed in Italy, Alaska, Alabama, Georgia, Texas, and California. In 1974 he retired from the Army as a Sargent Major and returned to Phil Campbell, Alabama to settle down.

On November 12, 1960 he married the love of his life Bobbie Hightower, they were married for 52 years before his wife went on to wait for him in heaven for

their reunion. During their time together they were blessed with a son Billy G. Fell, JR (Lisha) and a daughter Tina Fell Seay (Jeff). He was PawPaw to 4 Grandchildren, Chance Fell(Jennifer) Carrie Fell Maddox (Tanner), Tanner Parker, Tiona Seay Estavan (Mitchell) and 7 great grandchildren, Tristen Fell, Tinlee and Paislee Parker, Zander and Zaxton Maddox, Ridge and RaeLynn Estavan who survived him at the time of his death.

In addition to his children and grandchildren, he is survived by sister in laws Sheila Kimbrough (Danny), Mary Fell, and Yvonne Hightower. He is also survived by brother in law Eddie Hightower (Mary Nell) and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He is preceded in death by his wife (Bobbie) parents (Richard and Rosa Fell, brothers Edward, Roland, Doug, Frank, Hoyt, and Richard Fell. Sisters Maxine Cerra, Odis Holland and Loraine Fell. Father and Mother in law Duford and Carrie Hightower.

Gene was a hero to many but especially his family, friends and all who knew him. Gene was a member of Antioch Baptist Church in Phil Campbell, AL where he had served many years as Deacon, Youth director, Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent .

Services will be held at Pinkard Funeral Home in Haleyville, AL with visitation on Wednesday April 26, 2023 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and funeral in the Chapel on Thursday, April 27,2023 at 11:00am with Brother Mark Daniel officiating. Interment will be at Antioch Baptist Church with military service.

Pallbearers will be Chance Fell, Tanner Parker, Tanner Maddox, Josh Hand, Jacob Kimbrough, Lyle Garrison and Kyle Howard. Honorary Pallbearers Mitchell Estavan, Tristen Fell, Zander & Zaxton Maddox, and Ridge Estavan.

The family would like to thank Dr. Keith Morrow and Ashton Wimberly for the great care they have gave him through the years. The staff on 5 Th Floor and

ICU at NAMC especially his favorite niece Leiah Howard. Also, a special thanks to Hospice of North Alabama and his nurse Whitney Cole. But, most of all thank you to everyone that has lifted him and the family up in prayers.

You may leave online condolences at www.pinkardfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Pinkard Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Billie Gene Fell, Sr.*



Pinkard Funeral Home - April 25, 2023 at 07:19 PM

CH

You and your family made such an impact on me as well as the entire Antioch Community. Thank you for your sacrifice and dedication to our country. Thank you for your witness! ❤️🙏 Cynthia Howard Casteel and family.

Cindy Howard - April 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM

GR

“ *Tina, I am saddened to hear of your loss. I pray God's peace on you and all of your family. I love you, my friend.*



Gail Rupley - April 27, 2023 at 09:02 AM

KB

“ Tina & Billy, I was heart broken to hear the news of your father's death. Tina, so happy that mom and I were able to visit with you in June, 2021. I sent a picture to be uploaded from that visit. Billy, I missed seeing you on that visit. There will be another visit, although I can't say a date at this time. Your family is so precious to me and I will forever remember the special times shared back in Georgia. Love to you and may God grant you peace and understanding for your loss. Kathy Smith Bender

Kathy Smith Bender - April 27, 2023 at 01:08 AM

KB

“ 1 file added to the album Friends of the Fells



Kathy Smith Bender - April 27, 2023 at 01:03 AM

AM

“ Andy Marbutt lit a candle in memory of Billie Gene Fell, Sr.



Andy Marbutt - April 26, 2023 at 03:52 PM



“ 73 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pinkard Funeral Home - April 25, 2023 at 07:14 PM

JH

“ So many fond memories of Gene to cherish. Church and our common faith in Christ, vacations, riding motorcycles and other activities. Thank you Gene for my freedom as an American! See you soon!

Jerry m. Hester - April 23, 2023 at 02:31 PM

JW

“ I was devastated to hear of Uncle Gene's passing. He was the last of the Alabama gang as I knew it and the only Uncle I had left. I am so grateful that as a child and beyond I was able to spend quite a bit of time to meet my relatives and get to know and embrace my southern heritage. Uncle Gene was a hoot and fun to be around. I can still hear his voice saying "Now Bobbie" followed by his version of a story. Memories I will forever cherish. Rest peacefully now Uncle Gene in God's arms.

Jody
New York

Jody Wilbur - April 23, 2023 at 10:20 AM

SB

“ Stacy Bishop lit a candle in memory of Billie Gene Fell, Sr.



Stacy L Bishop - April 23, 2023 at 09:52 AM

Kathy Bender

“ Kathy Bender lit a candle in memory of Billie Gene Fell, Sr.



Kathy Bender - April 23, 2023 at 01:43 AM



“ so sorry for yalls loss prayers going up to the family



Shirley Duvall - April 22, 2023 at 06:08 PM