



J. Donald Kiel

May 2, 1941 - November 4, 2012

James Donald Kiel known as Donald, J.D., Grand-Daddy and Grand-Don, age 71, passed from this life on Sunday, November 4, in Huntsville, Alabama. He was born in Madison, Alabama, on May 2, 1941, to Richard and Cleatis Kiel. He was raised and spent most of his life in the Tharptown community near Russellville, Alabama. He married Shirlene Kiel from Florence, Alabama, on October 9, 1965, having just celebrated 47 years together. He lived in Huntsville for the last 6 years. Mr. Kiel was a Christian and attended the Church of Christ on Hughes Road at Gooch Lane in Madison, Alabama. He retired from Reynolds Metals Company and Wise Alloys with 36 years of service.

Mr. Kiel is survived by his beloved wife, Shirlene; his children, Greg (Kimberly) Kiel from Huntsville, Alabama, and Jeremy Kiel from Huntsville, Alabama; 6 grandchildren, Blair, Brock, Molly, Blake, Madison and Hannah. He is also survived by his mother, Cleatis Kiel, Russellville, Alabama; 3 brothers, Gerald Wade (Betty), Glenn (Patsy), and David (Mildred), all of Russellville; along with many nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his father, Richard Kiel.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, November 7, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m., with the funeral to follow at 2:00 p.m., at Pinkard Funeral Home,

Russellville.

Active pallbearers will be grandsons and nephews. Honorary pallbearers will be Leamon Sumerel, Doyle McDonald, Hollis Roden, Bobby Bowen, David Parker, David Crosswhite, J.C. Burgin, William Collum, Ben Breckwith, A.M. Jackson, Royce King, Wayne Melton, Dan Martin, J.L. Thigpen, Sam Stuart, Royce Thorton, Faye Watson, and William McLauchlin (Billy Mac).

The family would like to thank Dr. Karne, Dr. Estopinal, Dr. Schreeder and the Clearview Cancer Institute Staff for their special care.

There will be a private graveside service at Franklin Memory Gardens.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Kiel Family: I am very sorry for your great loss of your dearly beloved husband,father and grandfather (James Donald). I hope that your family can find comfort from the promises given to us by Our Very Loving Creator Jehovah God.John5:28,29 & Revelation 21:4 he promises to bring James back to life in the resurrection right here on earth in the near future and end all sadness,sickness,suffering and death forever.##imported-begin##Susan George##imported-end##

November 13, 2012 at 08:42 AM



“ Greg - sorry to hear about your dad. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Randy McGuire##imported-end##

November 09, 2012 at 09:29 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you in your loss and sorrow.##imported-begin##Bill Daniel, Chaplain Gentiva Hospice##imported-end##

November 06, 2012 at 07:24 PM



“ sorry to hear about donald. many years at reynolds##imported-begin##nunon miller##imported-end##

November 06, 2012 at 11:26 AM



“ God bless in this time of loss. We are glad Donald died in the hope of a Christian.##imported-begin##Frank Walton##imported-end##

November 06, 2012 at 06:56 AM



“ Our prayers are with the family of Donald Kiel. Donald was a fine man and neighbor.

Will and Sue Richard##imported-begin##Will & Sue Richard##imported-end##

November 05, 2012 at 11:49 PM



“ Thinking of the Kiel family. Keeping all of you in our thoughts & prayers.##imported-begin##Eddy Hammond & family##imported-end##

November 05, 2012 at 09:23 PM



“ Dale will be out of town for the visitation & funeral but we are thinking of all of you in this time of sorrow. We only knew Brother Don for about a year but thought the world of him & enjoyed sitting beside him & Shirlene at church services.##imported-begin##Dale & Christy Ingram##imported-end##

November 05, 2012 at 09:23 PM



“ My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Larry Vinson##imported-end##

November 05, 2012 at 04:00 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Donald; have known him for many years. Roger Cassel###imported-begin##Roger Cassel###imported-end##

November 05, 2012 at 10:47 AM