



Hobert Kilgore Jr.

April 29, 1944 - May 12, 2026

Hobert Kilgore, born April 29, 1944, went to meet his Lord and Savior on May 12, 2026. He was the son of Gary Hobert Kilgore and Gertrude Kilgore. He was the second oldest of six children, and was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He grew up in Haysi, Virginia before moving to Rossville, Georgia, where he attended and graduated from Rossville High School in 1963, the high school where he was a basketball star. He then served his country honorably in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Conflict. Once he left the military, he came home to have a son in 1969. He was a very hard worker. Jr. as he was always known by, spent most of his career with Astec Industries where he was a great foreman and leader. He was much loved by the men who worked for him. He was a faithful member of Tyner Church of Christ. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Gene Early and Dennis Kilgore; and one sister, Betty Carbine.

He is survived by his wife of over 45 years, Lynda Harris Kilgore; three sons, Steve (Chris) Kilgore, Tom (Angela) Viall, and Bob (LeeAnne) Viall; one sister, Peggy (Jim) Kerley; one brother, Ernest Kilgore; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; many relatives and friends.

Private inurnment will be held at Chattanooga National Cemetery. Per his request, no visitation, no funeral, just inurnment of his ashes – no fanfare, no means no.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org