



Junior Kelly

October 29, 1928 - December 26, 2015

Junior D. Kelly 'J.D.', age 87, of St. Anne, died on Saturday, December 26, 2015 at home. Junior was born on October 29, 1928 to Glen and Thelma (Gilbert) Kelly in Kankakee, IL. He proudly served the United States Army. He married Wilma Jean Vaillancourt on April 13, 1957. Wilma died in 1990. He worked on the assembly line at Ford Motor Company's stamping plant for 30 years before his retirement in 1987. He was a member of the American Legion, VFW and Ford Retiree Coffee Clutch. He enjoyed yard work and working on his car.

Junior is survived by two daughters, Kathy Kelly of St. Anne, IL and Kim (Brian) Rasmussen of St. Anne; five grandchildren, Travis Rasmussen, Kelsey Rasmussen, Chance Rasmussen, Hailie Rasmussen and David Wielgus, Jr; two brothers, Gilbert (Rose) Kelly of Kankakee, IL and Dale (Sandy) Kelly of Kankakee, IL; one sister-in-law, Joan Kelly of Kankakee, IL and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Wilma and two brothers, Jimmy and Roland 'Elwood' Kelly.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, December 30, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Schreffler Funeral Home's Kankakee Chapel. More visitation time will be on Thursday, December 31, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Junior's funeral service at 10:00 a.m. at Schreffler Funeral Home's Kankakee Chapel. Burial will immediately follow at Mound Grove Cemetery in Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens of Memory

1000 N Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

DEC 31. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

DEC 31. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Junior Kelly*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your Fathers death, Barb(Henry) notified us.Our condolences go out to you and your family, we will remember you in our prayers.I never met your family but heard a lot about you from my Mother in law Blanche (Vaillancourt) Kellay.Its always hard to say goodbye- thinking of you Sincerely Ellen (Kellay) and Dave Eldridge*

Ellen Kellay - December 30, 2015 at 08:40 PM



“ *Kathy, I was at your mom and dad's wedding as a child -- they were a beautiful couple. I'm so grateful that my grandmother Blanche stayed in touch with her brothers, and that we were able to bring her to St. Anne for visits over the years. Even though I didn't know your father well, I have such love for the family and the town. I love having Vaillancourt cousins, and I am sending love and prayers for you and Kim and the rest of your family.*

Barbara Eldridge Henry - December 30, 2015 at 02:26 PM



“ *MARILYN DESCHAND lit a candle in memory of Junior Kelly*



MARILYN DESCHAND - December 29, 2015 at 09:41 PM