



Donald Jerry Kelly

April 24, 1953 - February 25, 2022

Donald was called to his heavenly home on Friday, February 25, 2022, at the age of 68. He was born in Hazelhurst, Mississippi and resided in Walker, Louisiana. Donald was a one-of-a-kind man who had a hard exterior, with every scrape, bump, and scratch on his body telling a story of endless hard labor from working on Mopar vehicles to working in his shop to working in his garden. Fishing and hunting were some of Donald's other favorite pastimes but spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought the most joy to him. He was tough as nails and was intimidating to say the least. He welcomed any man into his home with a shotgun in hand, and you never dared to cross him nor disrespect his family. You knew what you got with Donald, nothing was ever hidden, and he spoke his mind without any hesitation of holding back a curse word or two. To say he was the glue and leader of his family is an understatement. Donald protected his entire family with every ounce of his soul. Secretly, though, he was a softy who loved his friends and family dearly. He would do anything for anyone even at a short time's notice, no matter how challenging the task was at hand. Donald was a loving husband, father, and Poppa that will truly be missed by all who knew and loved him

He is survived by his loving wife, Frances Kelly; daughters, Tiffany Sibley (Darron "Toot"), Tisha Theunissen (Chad), and Donna Kelly (Kody Mills); brother, Danny Kelly; grandchildren, Elisa and Abbie Sibley, Ethan

Theunissen, Blaith, Anna, and Cooper Mills; great-grandchild, Aurora “Lucy” Sibley; numerous sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, nieces, and nephews; lifelong friends, Dennis James, Ronnie Hull Sr., Johnny “Chopper” Jeansonne, and Kelly Dugas.

Donald is preceded in death by his father, J.D. Kelly; his mother, Lucile Kelly; brothers, David Kelly Jr., and Ronald Kelly; father-in-law, Jake Street; mother-in-law, Lillian Street.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the family’s horse rescue, “Greeno Equine Sanctuary.”

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation held in the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, 7738 Florida Blvd. Denham Springs, LA, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Denham Springs, LA
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Denham Springs, LA 70726
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Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Jerry Kelly*



Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - February 28, 2022 at 12:29 PM



“ *From the family of Lloyd and Randy Bass, love the memory of visits together at our wrecking yard, our father especially enjoyed talks with Donald. God bless the entire and extended family of Francis Kelly.*

Lloyd Bass, Jr. - March 01, 2022 at 01:01 PM

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“ Donald Kelly has been the best friend a person could ever have, many times he has come to the rescue to help me and my family, when I was sick and in the hospital, he was always the first to be there, always lending a hand where it was needed. because of Donald, I know what a true friend could be, he was my friend and family. We had too many adventures to name, from elk hunting in Colorado to fishing all over the country. After 50 something years of friendship we never had the smallest of arguments, if He didn't have something nice to say he wouldn't say anything at all, he was the most decent person I ever met. I loved Donald like a brother and will never forget the friendship we had, I pray for him and his family and he will be missed forever, he was the best friend a person could have, God give him rest, in Jesus name Amen



Dennis James - February 28, 2022 at 09:44 AM