



Donald "Butch" Kesler

May 8, 1933 - October 5, 2016

Donald "Butch" Kesler, 83, of Anna, died at 1:04 AM Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born May 8, 1933 in Ullin, Illinois the son of William "Jack" Jennings and Lee Etta (Wright) Kesler. He married Golda Smiddy on July 21, 1956.

Donald was a veteran of the United States Army and served during the Korean War from 1953 to 1955. He was owner/operator of Oilfield Electric Company in West Frankfort retiring in 1998. Prior to owning his company he worked as a lineman. His family meant the world to him and he had a passion for new and antique automobiles. He was an active member of First Baptist Church in Anna for nearly 60 years where he worked in earlier years with youth and was a Sunday school teacher. He was a 65 year member of IBEW local 702, and Anna Lodge 520 AF & AM.

He is survived by his wife Golda Kesler of Anna; daughter, Pam (Patrick) McLean of Anna; granddaughter, Natalie (Dustin) Miller of Anna; sister, Shirley (Jack) Bennett of Anna; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Donald is preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Lee Etta Kesler.

Visitation will be from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on Friday, October 7, 2016 and from

10:00am to 11:00am on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the funeral home with Rev. Les Sinks officiating. Interment will follow in Anna City Cemetery with flag presentation by the Illinois National Guard.

Memorials may be made to Anna First Baptist Church and St. Jude's and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna
135 W. Vienna St.
Anna, IL 62906
(618) 833-2176
crain@crainsonline.com

Service

OCT 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Donald "Butch" Kesler

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald "Butch" Kesler.



October 07, 2016 at 11:06 AM



“ Hazel, Vickie, Jeff, Linda, and Families purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Donald "Butch" Kesler.



Hazel, Vickie, Jeff, Linda, and Families - October 06, 2016 at 12:14 PM