



Dudley Ellis Kesler

March 14, 1955 - December 12, 2021

Dudley Kesler, age 66, of Dongola, passed away on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at Saint Francis Medical Center.

He was born on March 14, 1955 to Ellis and Clara (Harmon) Kesler, in Cairo. Dudley married Kimberly Maze on July 21, 1979, and she survives.

Dudley retired from the Federal Bureau of Prisons as a safety manager. He then worked for Creative Corrections doing inspections for ICE. He was well known and respected for his work. He was an avid hunter and loved fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Kim; daughter, Lindsey (Jeffrey II) Stout; son, Scott Kesler; grandson, Jeffrey Stout III; father, Ellis Kesler; and several other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Clara Kesler.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola. Funeral service will follow at 1:00pm at the funeral home with Brent Miller officiating. Interment will be in St. John's Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. John's Cemetery

St Johns Rd
Dongola, IL 62926

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Dongola
106 NW Front St.
Dongola, IL 62926
866-592-7246
crain@crainsonline.com

Funeral Service

DEC 15. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dudley Ellis Kesler*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *It was always a pleasure to work with and know Dudley as a friend. I will treasure the funny stories that we shared and the great advice that he was always willing to share. Rest well my friend and my thoughts and prayers go out to your friends and family. You will be missed.*

Reginald Vandiver - December 15, 2021 at 11:27 PM



“ *Kim and family...so very sorry to hear this. What a kind man Dudley was. Will always remember the huge help you two were when we moved from Illinois. Prayers for you, sweet girl.*

Kathy Walsh - December 15, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ *DAVID R. PHALIN lit a candle in memory of Dudley Ellis Kesler*



DAVID R. PHALIN - December 15, 2021 at 02:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dudley Ellis Kesler.*



December 14, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *Condolences to the Kessler family. Worked with Dudley as part of the BOP safety program. Great guy!*

BOP - December 14, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *I accepted Dudley into training when he entered employment with the Federal Prison System at U.S.P. Marion, IL. Dudley was quiet, attentive and learned well what would be expected of him as a Correctional Officer. He performed his duties in an exceptional manner and was well liked and respected by staff. After I retired he became Safety Manager and as i was told performed these duties at the same level of competence that he had been known for. It was my pleasure to work with and know Dudley, he was a good man. I am certain that he is now with God and in a better place. He will be missed by all that loved and knew him well. Stay strong for he is now watching over you!*

Jerry Gibson

Jerry Gibson - December 14, 2021 at 04:34 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Dudley Ellis Kesler.*



December 14, 2021 at 02:27 PM



“ *RIP my friend. I have been privileged to know and work with you for over 25 years. I will truly miss our “coffee time “ chats and many other things we’ve done together. I will cherish those memories forever. May God bless and watch over your family and many friends left behind.*

Dave Globun - December 14, 2021 at 11:23 AM



“ *Carl Horn lit a candle in memory of Dudley Ellis Kesler*



Carl horn - December 13, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dudley Ellis Kesler.*



December 13, 2021 at 07:50 PM

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“ Rodney And Lori Tite lit a candle in memory
of Dudley Ellis Kesler



Rodney and Lori Tite - December 13, 2021 at 06:07 PM