



## James Leroy Bourland

June 15, 1935 - November 11, 2020

James Leroy Bourland, 85, of Chaffee, formerly of Wood River, IL, died at 1:05am Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020 at Chaffee Nursing Center.

James was born June 15, 1935 in East Alton, Illinois, to James and Evelyn Spradley.

He married Elizabeth Tudor on August 16, 1958. They had four children. John and Marianne both of Jackson, MO, Gabrielle Taul of Clayton, MO and Mike of Godfrey, IL. He has 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

He later married Essie "Gene" Duren on December 1, 1995. She has preceded him in death.

James work history included: Cook's Paints, Illinois Terminal Railroad of Alton, IL, and Houston Belt Terminal Railroad where he retired.

James served in the military for the U.S. Marines where he was honorably discharged in 1958.

Crain Funeral Home & Cremation Service in Cape Girardeau in handling arrangements



# Tribute Wall



“ *James Leroy Bourland*

---

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I remember when he came to the Alton Owls Club, with his son John Bourland, when John came to town. Didn't hear of his passing until the July Club meeting. Sorry for the loss to John and his family! If there is a memorial in his honor, then please call Mark Birmingham at 618-462-8752! We'd like to make a donation!*

---

**Mark Biringham** - July 07, 2021 at 09:23 PM