



Lawrence "Lee" Kirby

May 25, 1941 - September 26, 2019

Lawrence "Lee" Kirby, 78, of Thebes, died at 12:30am on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at his home.

He was born on May 25, 1941 in Gale, IL the son of Robert Ray and Pansy (Prater) Kirby. He married Nelda Clark on August 4, 1962.

For over 60 years Lee was co-owner of Kirby & Sons Sawmill. He started the business with his father and brother. He also worked at Tammsco. Lee loved Cardinal baseball, playing his guitar and most of all, riding his John Deere gator with his dog, Nova and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Nelda; father of, Lisa (Mark) Glaab, Pam (William) Bigham and Chrystal (Andrew) Dillingham; Paw Paw to Brandon Bigham, Jeremy Bigham, Jenna Dillow, Noah Dillingham, Izabella Dillingham, Charley Kate Glaab; also known as Papa to Braya Pearman and Keaton Pearman; great-grandpa to Braysen Lee Dillow, Jada Bigham, and another Bigham boy due in a week; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Elvis "Bud" Kirby and sister, Hester "Sis" Williams.

Visitation will be held from 11:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday, September 28,

2019 at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms.

Funeral services for Lawrence "Lee" Kirby will be at 1:00pm on Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Twente Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Twente Cemetery

24053 Twente School Road
Olive Branch, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 28. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Tamms
420 Front St.
Tamms, IL 62988
(618) 833-2176
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence "Lee" Kirby*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Pam I am so sorry for your loss. May God give you comfort and peace. Debby Severs*

Debby Severs - September 27, 2019 at 02:18 PM



“ *Glenda Clark Hackett purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Lawrence "Lee" Kirby.*



Glenda Clark Hackett - September 26, 2019 at 11:17 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Lee" Kirby.*



September 26, 2019 at 07:13 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Lee" Kirby.*



September 26, 2019 at 06:24 PM