



Ray Kelley

January 28, 1943 - January 4, 2026

Ray Kelley, 82 of Union Grove passed away Sunday, January 4, 2026, at Diversicare of Arab. He was born January 28, 1943, in Marshall County the son of Bryan “Buster” Kelley and Sovola Slaten Kelley.

He is survived by his brothers: Oneal Kelley (Martha), James Kelley, Richard Kelley and Steve Kelley; sisters: Brenda Pylant and Vickie Gant; host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. He was preceded in death by his wife: Joan Knight Kelley; daughter: Stephanie Lynn Kelley; parents: Buster and Sovola Kelley.

Graveside Service was 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at New Friendship Cemetery, Gober Funeral Chapel directing.

Pallbearers: Jimmy Kelley, Greg Pylant, Michael Pylant, Steve Kelley, Luke Helton and Josh Kelley.

Cemetery Details

New Friendship Cemetery

2150 New Friendship Road
Union Grove, AL 35175

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 7. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ray Kelley.*



January 06 at 10:08 AM



“ *Me and Ray go back to the early 1970s he was working for Howard Rowe and I had just moved back down from Hammond Indiana just a kid I went to work for Howard that's how I met Ray and as a kid I looked up to him because he was a role model and a very good one we work together for Howard for several years and as I got older and became a man myself I always had the deepest respect and love for Ray rest in peace my dear friend*

Dean Mashburn - January 05 at 08:35 PM



“ *Teresa Calhoun lit a candle in memory of Ray Kelley*



Teresa Calhoun - January 05 at 03:23 PM

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“ *Estelle Phillips lit a candle in memory of Ray Kelley*



Estelle Phillips - January 05 at 02:33 PM