



John Roger Gilmore

June 26, 1945 - June 18, 2024

John Roger Gilmore, age 78 of Gravois Mills, Missouri, passed away at home June 18, 2024, following his battle with kidney disease. John was born June 26, 1945, in DeKalb, Illinois to Marjorie and Thomas Gilmore.

He graduated from DeKalb High School and later became an apprentice Ironworker in 1966. John married Diane Elaine Nelson on August 12, 1967. They lived in DeKalb until 2005, when they built their "dream" home in Missouri.

His love of cars began before he was able to drive and continued through the years. He owned Barb City Automotive and sponsored stock cars. Many weekends were spent at the races! This led to rebuilding street rods and going to car shows.

John's interests also included 40 years of fishing trips and playing cards with friends in Ontario, Canada.

He was a member of the Elks and volunteered for many activities, such as Shoot Out volunteer, Hoop Shoot coordinator and cook teams.

His love of cars also led him to join the Fun Runners Car Club, where he served as newsletter editor, treasurer and trip planner.

John is survived by his wife Diane and two sons, Jarrett Gilmore and Jeremy Gilmore of Missouri. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A Celebration of Life will be held July 13th, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm., in the Fellowship Hall located on the lower level of the West Lake Christian Church in Laurie. John requested a "picnic" atmosphere to remember his time with family and friends. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Kelly Caldwell Scholarship Fund.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

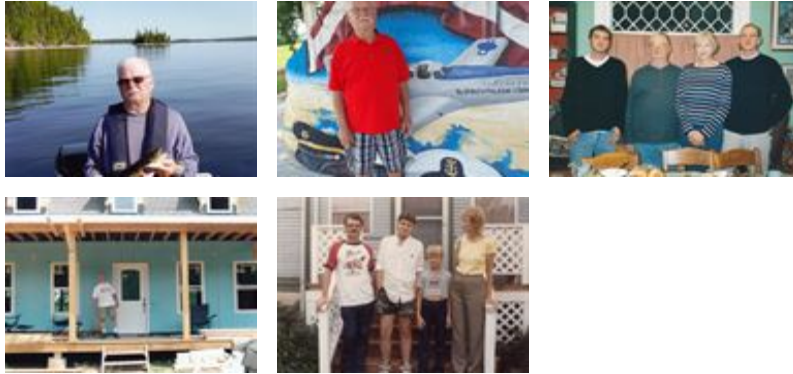
JUL 13. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

West Lake Christian Church
936 Highway O
Laurie, MO 65037

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“ *Diane you and the family are in my thoughts and prayers! John will forever be missed! I always enjoyed talking with him about his fishing trips and other shenanigans. May John ride high in one of his favorite classic cars and catch the biggest fish of all!*

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