



David Grant

October 4, 1960 - May 29, 2025

David “Smiley” Grant, age 64 years, a resident of rural Buncombe, Illinois, passed away Thursday afternoon, May 29, 2025, at 2:52 P.M. at Deaconess Regional Healthcare Services of Illinois in Marion.

David was born October 4, 1960 in Marion, Illinois. He was the son of Irvin E. Grant and Helen R. (Burnett) Grant.

David is survived by: his beloved life companion – Paula J. Murray of Buncombe; his siblings – Vernon (Lee) Grant of Alabaster, Alabama, Ronald (Brenda) Walker of Pekin, Illinois, Marilyn (David) Walls of Carterville, Illinois and James Grant of Jonesboro, Illinois; as well as a host of nieces and nephews. David is also survived by his faithful canine companions, Peanut and Bo Jack.

In addition to his parents, David was preceded in death by: 4 brothers – Paul Walker, Robert Walker, Gerald W. “Jerry” Walker, and Irvin Leon Grant.

David was a 1978 graduate of Vienna High School. On August 27, 1979, David began his working career which spanned 43 ½ years at Delta Companies – Buncombe Stone Quarry. He worked in numerous capacities before attaining the position of quality assurance/quality control technician.

He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles – Marion # 4087. David enjoyed listening to music and in his youth played the drums. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting and fishing. David particularly enjoyed caring for his many four-legged fur babies.

David was of the Christian faith.

A private graveside service will be conducted at the Cedar Grove Cemetery near Buncombe.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905 or to P.A.W.S. (Pets Are Worth Saving), 52 Dogwalk Road, Anna, IL 62906 or to the SIH Cancer Institute, 1400 Pin Oak Drive, Carterville, IL 62918.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Grove Cemetery

Cedar Grove Cemetery, Happy Hollow Rd
Goreville, IL 62939

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry for your loss, Paula. I remember how happy you were when you and David found each other.



Toni Taylor - June 08, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ So sorry to hear of David's passing. Always enjoyed visiting with him at the (Burnett) family reunions. Our thoughts and prayers for all the family. Russell and Tammy (Duncan) Little. Aunt Rose's daughter.

Tammy Little - June 06, 2025 at 05:44 PM



“ Randy Jackson lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Randy Jackson - June 04, 2025 at 04:34 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of David Grant.



June 03, 2025 at 11:36 AM

RS

“ I am so sorry for this this loss. The Grant family Buncombe shared many memories with the Reid family

Ruth Scruggs - June 02, 2025 at 10:16 AM

KA

“ I'm so saddened to hear of David's passing. I have so many fond childhood memories of David & his family. Praying for peace, comfort & strength for all who loved him.



Kathy(Black)Holt - June 01, 2025 at 04:16 PM

BW

“ Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Barb Warmack - June 01, 2025 at 01:25 AM

DP

“ Dennis And Eva Prater lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Dennis and Eva Prater - May 31, 2025 at 09:36 PM

DS

“ Dale And Kathy Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Dale and Kathy Schierbaum - May 31, 2025 at 09:30 PM

TD

“ Tina Doss lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Tina Doss - May 31, 2025 at 07:27 PM

TT

“ Toni Taylor lit a candle in memory of David Grant



Toni Taylor - May 31, 2025 at 08:10 AM

RS

“ Dave was a very good friend and co-worker, he will be dearly missed.



Rick and Deana Smith - May 30, 2025 at 04:08 PM

BA

“ So sorry to hear of David’s passing prayers
for his family



Brenda Ames - May 30, 2025 at 01:36 PM

NB

“ Nancy Breedon lit a candle in memory of
David Grant



Nancy Breedon - May 30, 2025 at 09:13 AM

TE

“ Teresa Rule Eastwood lit a candle in memory
of David Grant



Teresa rule Eastwood - May 30, 2025 at 08:52 AM

JT

“ Jack Thornton lit a candle in memory of David
Grant



Jack Thornton - May 30, 2025 at 07:31 AM

GL

“ *David was the first kid I met when we moved to Buncombe , lots of good memories !!!! Rest in peace*



Gary Lauderdale - May 30, 2025 at 07:21 AM

SJ

“ *Steve & Darla Jones lit a candle in memory of David Grant*



Steve & Darla Jones - May 30, 2025 at 07:07 AM

RJ

“ *Randy Jackson lit a candle in memory of David Grant*



Randy Jackson - May 30, 2025 at 12:41 AM