



James Monroe Kelly

March 4, 1946 - December 14, 2024

James Monroe Kelly of Crystal Springs, Mississippi passed away on December 14, 2024. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather which gave him the determination and courage to fight Parkinson's disease that ultimately led him to be with his Lord and Savior. Jim is survived by his wife of 54 years Edith Margaret Holt Kelly, his son Scott Mathis Kelly (Angie), and daughter Amanda Kelly Sylvester (Ronald). Grandchildren include Holt Kelly, Blake Sylvester, Blaire Kelly, Brynn Kelly, Brett Sylvester, Kate Kelly, and a number of nieces and nephews. Surviving siblings include William H.C. Kelly, Jr, Richard Kelly, Rebecca Kelly Shanks, and Michael Kelly. Jim was preceded in death by his father, William H.C. Kelly, Sr. and mother Marguerite Haynes Kelly.

Jim was a graduate of Central High School Class of 1964. He was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany where he served as an Officer in the United States Army. After his honorable discharge in 1972 he completed his education with a degree in business from Mississippi College. Jim's business endeavors included real estate appraisal, bridge building as Kelly and Kelly Construction Inc, and Kelly and Kelly Lime.

Jim was an avid lover of the outdoors. His passions included archery (for which he won numerous awards including a national title), bow hunting, deer hunting, and his favorite; elk hunting. His love for cooking and the game of

golf also occupied his time. He loved his grandchildren and enjoyed attending their many sporting events. He even enjoyed playing a game of bridge and countless hours of John Wayne western movies. Jim will be remembered for his loyal friendships, hard work, and devotion to his family.

Funeral arrangements will be held at Stringer Funeral Home of Crystal Springs on Tuesday December 17, 2024. Visitation will begin at 11am with service to follow at Noon. In lieu of flowers, Jim's family requests donations be made to Baptist Hospice in Jackson, Mississippi.

Watch service here: <https://youtu.be/Aq7wdEkGbG4?si=UdAtHa5Lu1ZyAQx2>

Cemetery Details

Crystal Springs Cemetery

Crystal Springs Cemetery
Crystal Springs, MS 39059

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs
PO Box 431
26141 Hwy 27
Crystal Springs, MS 39059
(601) 892-1521
stringerfuneral@bellsouth.net

Funeral Service

DEC 17. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

DEC 17 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Sylvester Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Monroe Kelly.*



The Sylvester Family - December 17, 2024 at 10:04 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Monroe Kelly.*



December 16, 2024 at 07:14 PM

SA

“ *Sincerely, Eric, Patty and Leo Abraham purchased the A Full Life for the family of James Monroe Kelly.*



Sincerely, Eric, Patty and Leo Abraham - December 16, 2024 at 06:50 PM

SA

“ *Sincerely, Eric, Patty and Leo Abraham planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Monroe Kelly.*

Sincerely, Eric, Patty and Leo Abraham - December 16, 2024 at 06:50 PM

GH

“ So sorry for your loss Edith. You, Scott, and Amanda will be in our prayers.

Gary Hydrick - December 16, 2024 at 05:19 PM

JK

“ Jim Kelly was a fine gentleman and it saddens me to learn of his passing. I cannot think of anything negative about him. He and Edith Margaret established and nurtured a wonderful family. Jim was a good citizen in every respect and he will be sorely missed in the Crystal Springs community. I extend to his family and to his many friends my deepest sympathy.

Jim Kitchens - December 16, 2024 at 01:46 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Monroe Kelly.



December 16, 2024 at 12:21 PM



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