



## Donald Lee Burgett

May 31, 1960 - June 19, 2025

Donald Lee Burgett, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on June 19, 2025.

Donald was born in Peoria, Illinois, to William “Bill” Burgett and Geraldine Richmond, and grew up alongside his siblings Rhonda Crabtree and Gerry “Sis” Smith. He now joins his beloved father Bill and dear sister Sis, whose memories he carried close to his heart.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Rosa Rosario, and his children: Myraida Claros, Esq., Carla Burgett, and Donald Burgett Jr. He was a proud and loving grandfather to Jonathan, Alondra, Carlos, Jazzlyn, Jedrian, Kerri, and Mia, who brought him endless joy and were the light of his life.

Donald found happiness in life’s simple pleasures. He had a deep love for fishing, camping, and barbecuing for his family, often bringing everyone together around the grill with his warmth, humor, and delicious meals. His love for the outdoors and family gatherings created lasting memories that will be cherished forever.

Above all, Donald will be remembered for his quiet strength, generous heart, and unwavering love for his family. He leaves behind a legacy of warmth, kindness, and togetherness.

A private service will be held in accordance with the family's wishes. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages those who wish to honor Donald's memory to spend time with loved ones in nature or around a barbecue — just as he would have wanted.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Pa, \n\nYou were always there for me and watched me grow up. Thank you for all the amazing memories. The fishing trips, camping, barbecues, taking me to Jim’s, listening to Rock, and all the car snacks. You were always a working man, and knew how to fix anything. You made sure that your family was always taken care of and always put your family before anything. I love you and you will be missed. I’ll miss coming over to grandmas house and hearing you shout “boy!”. No matter how much I try, I could never be half the man you were.

Jon - June 23, 2025 at 03:33 PM

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“ Dear Grandpa, you were the glue to this family. Thought you were suffering in silence you were still sharing your kindness to everyone. You were always giving and always there when we needed you. Always a joy to be with and simply just talk to. We all have some great memories with you whether that includes sitting with you while you grilled. Camping with you, giving you back scratches which we all know you loved. Or just going to eat with you and spend time together. You will forever be missed and loved but we all know your doing better now and not hurting anymore. We shall always keep you with us and we know that you will watch over us as well. With all love, your family.

Jazzlyn M. Burgett - June 22, 2025 at 01:43 PM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services

A Memorial Tree was planted for Donald Lee Burgett - June 22, 2025 at 11:22 AM