



EUGENE LEE

February 9, 2026

Eugene Lee of Oak Grove left this world on February 9, 2026, at the age of 77, but his spirit will forever remain etched in the hearts of those who loved him. A proud Army veteran, Eugene's unwavering dedication and strength carried him through life's battles, and in 1977, he began a new chapter working at Oak Grove Mine—where he poured his heart and soul into every day. He retired in 2006, leaving behind a legacy of hard work and resilient love.

Eugene was a man defined by his boundless love for family and his deep passion for Alabama football. His days were filled with joy when he was with his son, daughter, grandkids, and great-granddaughters—his greatest treasures. The bonds he cherished mattered more than anything, a testament to his warm-hearted and genuine nature.

He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Joseph Kenneth Lee and Dorothy Anderson Lee, brothers Harold and Wayne Lee, and brother-in-law Steve Valentine. Yet, his spirit lives on in those he left behind: his devoted wife Darlene, with whom he shared 44 beautiful years of love and companionship; his courageous son Greg and loving daughter Monica (Ken) Terpo; his precious granddaughter Regan and grandson Brandon; and his adorable

granddaughters Kinsley and Oakleigh. He is also survived by his brothers Gary (Wanda) Lee and Danny Lee of Tennessee, beloved sisters Barbara (Eddie) LaRue, Debra Valentin, and Janice (Rick) Burkett, along with a multitude of nieces and nephews whose lives he touched deeply.

His legacy will be celebrated with visitation, Thursday, February 12, 2026, from 1:00 to 2:00 PM at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home, followed by a heartfelt service at 2:00. Eugene's earthly journey will be honored with a burial at Forest Grove Cemetery in Pleasant Grove, a final resting place for a man who gave so much of himself to those he loved.

His life was a beacon of love, resilience, and unwavering devotion. He will be deeply missed, but never forgotten.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I love you papa so much! I wish someone would have told me you went to be with Jesus so I could have seen you one last time.....* ”



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JH

“ *Janice and Rick, Garrison and Haley purchased the Fairest of All for the family of EUGENE LEE.* ”



Janice and Rick, Garrison and Haley - February 11 at 02:37 PM

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“ *Janice and Rick, Garrison and Haley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of EUGENE LEE.* ”

Janice and Rick, Garrison and Haley - February 11 at 02:37 PM

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“ Gene was an all around great person. He took me on rides just to make my stomach roar. I loved him so much. I couldn't be at the wedding but someone had the phone off the hook so I could listen in when they said their I dos! Darlene you will be in my thoughts ad prayers now and in the coming days ahead. God Bless you and my "BIRDDOG" forever. I love you and miss you so much. Love Always Tabbie and Mike



Tabbie Jenkins - February 11 at 01:28 PM

TJ

“ Tabbie Jenkins lit a candle in memory of
EUGENE LEE



Tabbie Jenkins - February 11 at 01:14 PM