



Mr. Kenneth Gene Jessup

April 29, 1953 - March 31, 2025

Kenneth Gene Jessup, April 29, 1953 - March 31, 2025, a proud fourth-generation Arkansas County rice farmer, was born in Memphis to parents Stewart Eugene and Dolores Leibrock Jessup. Grandparents George Lorenz and Beulah Rousseau Leibrock, Bryan Elam and Ethel McKibben Jessup. Gene and Vicki Hambrick Jessup were united in marriage on February 5, 1977.

Carrying on his legacy are his wife of 48 years, Vicki; his sons, Garth Hambrick and wife Autumn, and Steele Hambrick; his grandchildren Maddox, Bella Kate, Beckett, Addison and husband Jarod, Blaise and great grandchild Magnolia who will be born in May; brothers Jerry Jessup and David Jessup, and a close extended family.

Gene was a member of DeWitt Church of Christ.

Gene's lifetime passion was golf.

Those wishing to honor Gene's life with a memorial, please consider Oak Hill golf course of DeWitt.

Visitation will be Monday, April 7, 2025 from 5-7 p.m. at Essex Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home
1405 South Grandview
DeWitt, AR 72042
(870) 946-3104
<https://www.essexfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Phi Thi Kappa Alpha purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Kenneth Gene Jessup.*



Phi Thi Kappa Alpha - April 07, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ *prayers to your family. peace be with you mr gene .*

RevChris Bartz - April 04, 2025 at 06:45 PM

GK

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Gregg Kauffman - April 04, 2025 at 08:15 AM

BW

“ *Praying for the family may God give you comfort an strength 🙏*



Bertha woods - April 02, 2025 at 07:22 PM

DD

“ Vicki, Jerry, David and families,
Wishing you and your family comfort to face the days ahead and
loving memories to hold in your heart.
Dianne Dalton

Dianne Dalton - April 02, 2025 at 04:57 PM

GK

“ My condolences to Vicki and the Jessups. This is a great loss of a
great guy.
I have fond memories of summer visits to the farm when growing up
and seeing Gene in recent years at the cousins reunions. He will be
missed.
The world needs more people like him.

Gregg Kauffman - April 02, 2025 at 02:26 PM

AK

“ Cousin Ann Kauffman from Bogota,
Colombia, South America: Gene was always
just a really good guy. I actually was thinking
about him last week!



Ann Kauffman - April 02, 2025 at 11:06 AM

CF

“ Vicki, David and Jessup family, I am so sorry to hear about Gene.
So many happy memories of when we were all young and full of life!
You have all been in my prayers for the past several days, and will
continue to be. Love to you all — Carolyn

Carolyn Rownd Francis - April 02, 2025 at 10:11 AM

JH

“ Oh my what can I say about Gene? We went to school together and he was one of the nicest guys in the class of 71. He was a dear friend and wonderful person. Ron and I remember him as always having a smile on his face and happy to see you when you ran into him. Our hearts go out to Vickie and family for their lose.

Jo A Hestir - April 01, 2025 at 09:29 PM