

### **ROBERT GENE KEATHLEY**



Robert Gene Keathley, 77 of Hilliard, went home to be with the Lord after a brief fight with cancer on August 19, 2019. Robert was born on December 2, 1941 in St. Louis, MO. He was a gentle and hard working man and was a retired welder for J.E.A. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed hunting. Robert loved being with his family and enjoyed his friends. Robert never went anywhere without making a friend. He had the best sense of humor and would often make you laugh until you cried. He was loved by many, and was a loving son, brother, dad, Granddad and great-granddad.

He is survived by his mother Noma Kelley; brothers Donald (Kathy) Kelley, Roger (Sharon) Keathley; sister Sherri (Dave) Bowen; children Lora (Johnny) Godwin, Robin (Rusty) O'Quinn, Judy Howell (Danny Wynne), Chris (Keri) Keathley, Danny (Jill) Keathley, 29 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Robert was preceded in death by his father Thomas Keathley, Jr., stepfather Gene Kelley and a brother Aurlin Kelley.

Funeral services will be held Friday, August 23 at 12 p.m. in the chapel of Callahan Funeral Home with interment in Buford Grove Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Robert's honor may be made to Community Hospice of N.E. Florida. Condolences may be expressed at [www.Callahanfh.com](http://www.Callahanfh.com).

Arrangements under the direction of Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.