



Willie Eugene Ergle

August 2, 1933 - May 24, 2022

Willie Eugene Ergle, age 88, of Phil Campbell

Willie Eugene Ergle was born in Russellville, Alabama, on August 2, 1933. As a young man of thirteen, he started his first job walking to Mt. Hope school, where he built fires in all the rooms before class started. At nineteen he joined the Army and deployed to Newfoundland during the Korean War. He loved to hunt with his favorite dog Bones and his son Jimmy. He worked at TVA where he was a member of the teamsters, and he retired after nineteen years.

Anyone who knew Willie knew his love of Speck colts with Doc being his most beloved horse. He was his happiest when training and showing his horses, and over the years he brought home countless ribbons. He also looked forward to the watermelon season where he competed at the Watermelon Festival. Even though Willie was known for his cussing and fussing, he had a soft spot that not many were privileged to see. He spent the last two years of his life living with his daughter Jenny and granddaughter Zoey, who affectionately called him Grouchy Old PawPaw. He passed away peacefully in his sleep at home on May 24, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his son, Jimmy Randle Ergle; parents, James Owen Ergle & Zada Chloe (Wilson) Ergle; siblings, Cleston Ergle, Dwight Ergle, Ted Ergle, and Evelyn Ergle Smith.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his children, Billy Ergle (Paula), Jenny Ergle; grandchildren, Bryan Mather, James Ergle, Candi Flanagan, Amanda Ergle, Blake Cochran, Zach Cochran, Zoey Ergle; 11 great-grandchildren;

siblings, Robert Ertle, Helen Gardner, Peggy Lilles; and a host of nieces & nephews.

The family would like to extend a sincere thanks to the Hospice of North Alabama and to his close friend, Ed Anderson for all the love and help.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To have us sign the book for you, please free to call or to leave private condolences, please visit our website at www.sprymemorialchapel.com.

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“ I really thought a lot of Willie he was always in good spirits I guess because he was eating at the golden corral so sorry for your loss Jenny and family

Regina shackelford - May 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ Candi, we are so terribly sorry for the loss of your pawpaw. I remember how close and how you love him. You and your boys and family are in our prayers. We love you. Again we are so sorry.

Alan & Debra (Britton)Winsted - May 28, 2022 at 12:00 AM