



Merle Ray Gowen

November 23, 1971 - November 20, 2021

Merle Ray Gowen, 49, was born in Illinois on November 23, 1971 to Shirley and Thomas Gowen.

Merle moved to Elkton, TN in 1979 where he went to grade school. His junior year he attended Blanche School and was on the football team. He was recruited to Fayetteville to play football during his senior year where he graduated in 1991. He then attended college for 2 years. Later he joined the U.S. Navy and was discharged in 2005. He then moved to Florida with his family for 5 years before returning with the family to Alabama. He was employed in Huntsville until an auto accident in 2018 left him unable to work until now where The Good LORD decided to take him to heaven.

We will miss our son everyday until we can join him once again. Merle has been a wonderful son that we loved very much and will miss him everyday.

Merle is survived by his parents; sisters, Malane Gill of Goodsprings, TN and Sandy Campbell of Boonshill, TN; half-brother, Thurman Wallace of Wappapello, MO.

There will be a Visitation Monday, November 29, 2021 from 2:00PM -3:00 PM at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home, Ardmore, Alabama.

The Graveside Service will be held at 3:00 PM Monday, November 29, 2021 at Sylone Cemetery, Elkmont, AL with Bro. Joe Douthit officiating.

Tribute Wall



“ *Missing you Merle. Love you. Aunt Carolyn.* ”

Carolyn Gowen Tyler Merle's aunt - November 30, 2021 at 08:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Merle Ray Gowen.* ”



November 28, 2021 at 11:11 AM