



Jerry E. Wills

November 8, 1943 - March 5, 2026

Jerry Edward Wills, 82, of Ooltewah, Tennessee, passed away Thursday, March 5, 2026, at his home. He was born November 8, 1943, in Mobile, Alabama, to the late Dewey and Inez Franks Wills. He was a proud graduate of the University of Alabama. His career took him first to Dallas, Texas with LTV and then to Federal Electric in Huntsville, Alabama, where he worked on the sky lab for NASA, before joining TVA and later the Department of Energy, where he retired. Mr. Wills was a leader in the Boy Scouts of America for over 40 years and he was an active member of Concord Baptist Church for over 50 years.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. (CST) Sunday at Wilson Funeral Home with Pastor Perry Brindley officiating. Burial will follow in Glenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Saturday evening from 4 until 8 p.m. (CST).

He is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years Linda Dial Wills; his children Nina Pardue (David) and Jerry E. "Eddie" Wills, II; grandchildren Michelle Pardue, Sarah Pardue, and Sarah Beth Durham (Ben); great-granddaughter Meredith Joy Durham; and nephew Chuck Hester (Jackie).

He was preceded in death by his parents Dewey and Inez Wills and sister Martha Wills Hester.

Wilson Funeral Home and Crematory of Fort Payne is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

1002 Grand Avenue SW
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

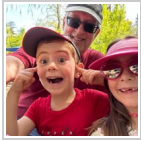
Wilson Funeral Home
3801 Gault Ave. N
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ We can't express how much Mr. Wills meant to our family. His dedication, generosity and leadership were the driving force that made Troop 69 a wonderful experience for so many Boy Scouts, including our son, Joshua.
It is so very sad to see him go, but I hope Linda and the rest of his family and friends take comfort in their memories and knowing that Jerry's was a life well lived.
Sincerely,
Phillip and Elizabeth Mabry

Phillip Mabry - March 08 at 11:31 AM

PM

“ Phillip & Elizabeth Mabry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry E. Wills.

Phillip & Elizabeth Mabry - March 08 at 11:08 AM

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“ Love, Tim, Erika, Cole and Christian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry E. Wills.

Love, Tim, Erika, Cole and Christian - March 07 at 12:03 PM

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“ Love, Tim, Erika, Cole and Christian purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry E. Wills.



Love, Tim, Erika, Cole and Christian - March 07 at 12:03 PM

EM

“ Jerry and Linda were part of our Sunday School Class at Concord Baptist.

We considered it a blessing to greet them in later years at the worship service.

We pray God will comfort Linda in this personal loss.

Earl and Carol Marler

Earl and Carol Marler - March 07 at 10:54 AM

BW

Prayers for my sweet friend . I will always remember my friend from school and church. Linda. You are so special. Love u and u have my prayers .

Beverly Watts - March 07 at 10:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jerry E. Wills.

March 06 at 08:46 PM

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“ Cheryl Little sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry E. Wills



Cheryl Little - March 06 at 06:28 PM