



Randall Bruce Kelly (R.B.) entered eternal rest with our Father in Heaven on Sunday, May 5th, 2024. He was a one of a kind treasure to his family and friends and will be deeply missed. Born on November 8th, 1943 in [Baltimore, Maryland](#) to William Bruce Kelly and Mildred Kelly (Hicks), Randy was raised in [Marietta, Georgia](#) where his Dad had moved the family for work at Lockheed. He enjoyed Boy Scouts, church activities at Roswell Street Baptist Church, and trips to the Carolinas to visit his great grandparents and many aunts and uncles and cousins. He loved to go to dances as well as a teenager and said he could sure "cut a rug". He graduated from Marietta High School and went on to attend Georgia Tech in Atlanta for a short time and also Southern Tech in Marietta. He went to work for Lockheed in the drafting department as his first adult job, but yearned for something different. He eventually interviewed with his local county police department and was hired as a patrolman. He spent the next 32 years in various positions of service with the Cobb County Police Department: motorcycle unit, undercover narcotics, homicide, theft and burglary. He dearly loved the work of law enforcement, serving his community, and the brotherhood he developed with fellow cops.

Randy started a family young in life with his wife Ginger Kelly (Owenby). He is survived by their children: Mark Kelly (Tammy) of Powder Springs, GA; Dawn Kelly Cummings (Jim) of Kennesaw, GA; and Page Lively (Paul) of [Fairmount, GA](#). Years later, he helped raise two young step-sons Tony Hamby (Deanna) of Woodstock, GA and Matt Hamby (Janice) of [Canton, GA](#). He is also survived by his brother Barry Kelly (Babs) and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Grandchildren: Amber Kelly Sapyak (Brian), Colton Kelly (Sawyer Baldrige), Chase Leonard (Ashley), Hannah Chauncey (Adam), and Savannah Head (Kaleb). Great Grandchildren: Kovy Sapyak, Kellan Sapyak, Kade Sapyak, Cash Leonard, River Rae Leonard, and Diesel Leonard.

Randall Bruce Kelly was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Marilyn Kelly (Powell); his grandson Garrison Shepherd; and great granddaughter Susanna Grace (Gracie) Chauncey. In his middle-age life, Randy and the family spent a great deal of leisure time at the boathouse

that he had acquired and fixed up on Lake Allatoona. It was truly a place of childhood fun and family refuge from regular life. So many memories were created on what we called "that shack on the lake". We look back on it now and are so grateful that Dad made the effort to provide a place like that for us. After retirement, Randy enjoyed eating, camping, traveling, boating and good times with family and friends. He and his wife Marilyn would frequently travel to Murfreesboro, Tennessee to spend time with her children and grandchildren.

He adored them all and remained close to them after Marilyn passed away in 2018. He also loved to have a nice chat over good food (especially sweets). He got to eat lots of candy that was on hand at the cancer center during his chemo infusions. He made many friends there and liked to flirt with all the nurses. We are indebted to Northwest Georgia Oncology who helped Dad have many more years of quality life. The family would also like to thank Linda Wayman who was Dad's companion these last couple of years. We are beyond grateful for the love she showed to him and our family during the more difficult times we experienced helping Dad battle cancer. Randy's favorite activity of late (with Linda or Dawn driving) was to take a scenic drive up through the North Georgia Mountains, Tennessee, North Carolina, or even just driving around Cobb County to see what all has changed in his old precinct. We'll miss his awesome humor and love of nature. When he was very sick toward the end, he wanted to be rolled out onto the porch to see his wooded lot and enjoy the spring weather. He said it made him feel like he was camping. He was truly a boy scout until the very end.

Randall Bruce Kelly's funeral will be held at 2:30 PM, Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at Carmichael Funeral Home in Marietta, 1130 Whitlock Avenue, [Marietta, GA](#) 30064 – Tel. 770-424-4924. Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery.