



## Jerry Don Davis Sr.

November 30, 1942 - August 15, 2025

Jerry Don Davis Sr, born on November 30th, 1942, in Benton, Arkansas, passed away at the Age of 82 on August 15th, 2025. Jerry was a beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather, friend, and mentor. He dedicated his life and his love by providing for his family, building race cars and racing engines, and farming animals.

Jerry is survived by his daughter, Jeany Davis, 3 sons, Gary Davis, Jerry Davis Jr., and Alan Davis, 12 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren, as well as his sister, Myra Tackett. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Duke Jefferson (DJ) Davis, Minnie Davis, his wife Beverly Davis, his son Dustin Joshua (DJ) Davis, his sisters Linda and Wanda, and his brothers Calvin, Alvin, and Lonnie Ray.

Jerry Don, JD, or Pops as he was affectionately known, had a long and successful career in mechanics and engineering of all types. He was an Army Veteran mechanic serving overseas and stateside to begin his career. Heavy Equipment for International Harvester and Midco was his specialty for 15+ years, then several years working in facilities management for Gallo Wines, Levi Strauss, and Target. Dad then became an OTR truck driver and trucking company owner for 20+ years. He finally retired at the age of 75 as the shop manager/foreman for Crow Paving Co. in Morrilton, Arkansas. Dad's real passion was always racing, from Nascar Ovals like Charlotte Motor Speedway, to the road courses in California, to countless dirt tracks across the country. He had a successful driving career in the late 50's and 60's, but his

ultimate talent was building race cars and racing engines; there were wins and championships too many to number from the West Coast to Mid-South. Pops leaves a hole in our hearts, but love and memories to help us heal!

There will be a visitation at Harris Funeral Home, Morrilton, Arkansas Thursday, August 21st, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., followed by the funeral on Friday, August 22nd, at 2:00 p.m. in the Harris Chapel. Burial will be at Kilgore Cemetery following the service.

# Cemetery Details

## Kilgore Cemetery

3664 Highway 9  
Springfield, AR 72157

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Harris Funeral Home Chapel  
1325 Oak Street  
Morrilton, AR 72110  
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomes.net>

## Funeral Service

AUG 22. 2:00 PM (CT)

Harris Funeral Home Chapel  
1325 Oak Street  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ I'm sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry Don. I learned a lot from him about racing that I carried with me through the years. My condolences to the family. Butch McJunkin

Butch McJunkin - August 20, 2025 at 03:14 PM

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“ Betty's Kids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Don Davis Sr..

Betty's Kids - August 20, 2025 at 01:34 PM

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“ Betty's Kids purchased the Red, White & Blue Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Jerry Don Davis Sr..



Betty's Kids - August 20, 2025 at 01:34 PM

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“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



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**Kenneth Doyle Curtis** - August 19, 2025 at 06:15 PM

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“ Uncle Jerry gone but not forgotten. Love to everyone.

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**Kenneth Doyle Curtis** - August 19, 2025 at 06:08 PM