



Willis L. Durant

October 4, 1939 - April 24, 2025

Willis L. Durant, 85, formerly of Anderson, went to his heavenly home on Thursday, April 24, following an extended illness.

He was born on October 4, 1939, to Glenn and Constance (Hendricks) Durant in Lapel, IN. He

graduated from Anderson High School in 1957. Willis served in the U.S. Army during the

Vietnam War as an engineer and trained other military personnel. Willis worked as an electrician

and a fireman for the Delco Remy Division of General Motors for 30 years, retiring in 1990. He

married his first wife, Rita R. Singleton, on May 28, 1960, later separating, and she preceded him

in death on March 17, 2013. On May 10, 1986, he married Evelyn L. Burge of Anderson, IN. She

preceded him in death in 2013. Willis married Deborah (Shaffer) Gilpin on October 29, 2020 and she survives.

He was a lifetime member of AMVETS, the UAW, and loved collecting tractors of all kinds.

Willis also worked as freelance farmer for various farms in the Anderson area. He also worked

for Mike Schott's Auction House in Alexandria. Willis enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Willis is survived by his loving spouse Deborah Gilpin, two sons, Richard "Rick" Durant (April), Roger Durant (Cherilyn), two step sons, Matthew Gilpin (Melinda), and Tony Wisehart, two step-daughters, Ginger Beamer (Steve) and Kimberly Berner (Michael), several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Jerry and Wilbur Durant.

Visitation will be held at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, Anderson, IN. on Thursday, May 1, 2025 from 12:00 P.M. with funeral services following at 1:00 P.M. Cremation will follow.

Online condolences may be given to the family at www.loosecares.com.

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