



## Mr. Robert Joseph "Joe" Kilgore

April 20, 1967 - December 26, 2017

Funeral services for Mr. Robert Joseph "Joe" Kilgore, 50, who entered into rest on Tuesday, December 26, 2017, will be conducted at 2 o'clock on Saturday, December 30, 2017, from the Glenwood Heights Baptist Church, 600 Nichols Road, Lancaster, SC. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to the Salvation Army, 2210 Hoffmeyer Road, Florence, SC 29501. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family.

Joe's life was simple and ordinary, just the way he liked things. He loved his family, Texas and a well-stocked buffet (In that order). He attended Copperas Cove High School in the mid-80's and delighted in playing football there. He worked as security in several places throughout his life and while he looked like someone you didn't want to even look at sideways, deep down he was truly a sweet and gentle bear of a man. He enjoyed the following as loud as possible: 80s music, Hawaiian shirts, and old westerns (No really... his house often sounded like a live-action shootout at the O.K. Corral.)

He never met a stranger and could talk you under the table. There was a running joke about how soon into the conversation with a stranger that he would mention that he was from Texas. He was fiercely protective of his family and everyone was family to Joe. He fought for the underdog and helped every single person he could. The world is a much less colorful, much less protected and much less friendly place in his absence.

He is survived by his loving wife, Christina Zissette of Hartsville, SC; children, Shelia Kilgore (Robert Bartholic) of Kaufman, TX, Josie Ann (Stephen) Stinson of Kaufman, TX, Joeanna (Caleb) McCabe of Rowlett, TX, Robert Joseph "R.J." Kilgore of Kaufman, TX; a very dear nephew and niece, Aidan and Nadia Hodge of Lancaster, SC; father, George Kilgore of Copperas Cove, TX; sisters, Jennifer Kilgore-Coalston (Ronnie Coalston) of Gatesville, TX, Julie Kilgore of Killeen, TX; sister-in-law, Samantha (Daniel) Brasington of Lancaster, SC; grandchildren, Jesse Bartholic, Nathan and Jaxson Stinson, Levi and Liam McCabe.

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

Glenwood Heights Baptist Church  
600 Nichols Road  
Lancaster, SC 29720

# Tribute Wall

SJ

“ I met Joe when Sam would watch Chad all the time we both love our Cowboys e had plenty of talks was always kind and knew he love Chad and I can cook if I needed some advice he would share with me going to miss you and your family is like my second family



Shalesha T Jones - January 04, 2018 at 09:08 AM

JK

“ Julie Kilgore-shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Joseph "Joe" Kilgore



Julie kilgore-shaw - December 29, 2017 at 07:26 PM

JK

“ Joe is 1 of 2 brothers that I had. I love him in my own way. I have lots of memories of him. When we were young and he was mine and Jennifer,our sister,babysister. He would make us watch those stupid karate movies.he was an awesome son, brother, uncle, and husband!. I love u and will miss him in my own way!!

Julie kilgore-shaw - December 29, 2017 at 07:20 PM

Ashley  
Mason

“ I met Joe many moons ago when I was just in the 2nd grade! His daughter Shelia is my childhood best friend. I know it my heart he loved his children. Many great memories one of them being all the sleepnovers I had with Shelia he will truly be missed.

Ashley Mason - December 29, 2017 at 01:06 PM

RK

“ I remember when I moved to Texas and lived with the Kilgore family in Copperas Cove. One hot summer day Joe and I went out back of the house on the TP&L (Texas Power and Light) property and Joe was lifting rocks and looking under logs and I asked him, "What are you looking for"? He said in the most serious of answers, *Rattlesnakes! we can make belts, and boots out of them. I believe Joe was probably 12 or 13 at that time. I hauled ass back to the house and told his Mom and my step mom because Joe is my half brother. There are other fun memories that I will keep to myself and our memory.*

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**Roger Kilgore** - December 28, 2017 at 08:10 PM

JK

*Lol, yes that was him*

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**Julie kilgore-shaw** - December 29, 2017 at 07:28 PM



“ I met Mr Joe from playing Guild Wars 2. He was a wonderfully kind and caring man. It's so hard to believe that he is gone! He will be greatly missed. I am so sorry for this loss and the pain his family and friends are going thru. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers. May God grant you comfort, love, and peace during this very difficult time.

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**Jana Martin** - December 28, 2017 at 04:39 PM

TA

“ May he Rest In Peace, we may not have always seen eye to eye especially the last week or so...but he was always caring for everyone else not himself. Take care of the angels now Joe! Give Eryll a huge hug for me!!!

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**Tammy** - December 28, 2017 at 02:00 PM