



# **ROBERT "BOB" KELLY**

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**P**ERRY –

Robert "Bob" Franklin Kelly, 78, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 24, 2024, with his loving family by his side. Services will be on Saturday, September 28, 2024, at Perry Methodist Church. The family will receive friends from 2:00 until 3:00 p.m. The funeral service will begin at 3:00 p.m. A private burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to Perry Methodist Church, 1101 Carroll Street, Perry, GA 31069, or First Love Ministries, 623 Pine Ridge Street, Perry, GA 31069.

Bob was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to parents Franklin and Betty Jane Kelly. The family, including brothers Jim and Jack, resided in Grand Terrace, California, until Bob was 15 years old. In 1962, they moved to Perry, Georgia, where he has resided since. A graduate of Perry High School Class of 1964, he later earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Georgia. Bob proudly served our country in the United States Army for five years. During this time, he attained the rank of Captain as a helicopter pilot and instructor.

Bob was smart, was hardworking, and had many successful business ventures including homebuilding, owning and operating a staffing company, and most recently, running a construction related business with his son, Mac. He was a talented craftsman who loved working in his woodshop and making furniture for his family. When he wasn't with family or working, you most likely could find him on the golf course.

More than anything Bob loved Jesus, his wife Lynda, his three children, his seven bonus children, and all their families. He absolutely adored his 30 grandchildren who affectionately called him Grandpa or Bobba. Nothing brought him more joy than an unexpected visit from one of his grandchildren. He loved cooking his famous pancake breakfast for any of his little loved ones. For more than 30 years,



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Bob enjoyed his annual beach trips to St. George Island and elsewhere with his entire family, helping create a lifetime of memories for everyone. He cherished his friendships, especially those of his golfing buddies. Bob was a gracious, caring, and giving man who helped so many others in need.

Peace comes for the family knowing that he has been reunited with his parents, his grandson Stephen Michael Shimp, and other family and friends who preceded him in death.

Left to cherish the memories they made with Bob are his loving and devoted wife of thirty years, Lynda Walker Kelly of Perry; his children, Mac Kelly (Kimmie) of Neptune Beach, Florida, Jennifer Kelly Adams (Paul) of Jacksonville, Florida, and Michael Kelly of Jacksonville, Florida; his bonus children whom he treated as his own, Jodi Hulbert Zammit (Edmund) of Perry, Paul Hulbert (Lisa) of Charlotte, North Carolina, John Hulbert (Ashley) of Perry, Ben Hulbert (Samantha) of Perry, Matthew Hulbert (Jennifer) of Shreveport, Louisiana, Mark Hulbert (Emily) of Marietta, and Jill Hulbert Thigpen (Eric) of Perry; twenty-nine grandchildren; two brothers, Jim Kelly (Shirley) of Houston, Texas, and Jack Kelly (Dorothy) of Talihina, Oklahoma; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at

[www.watsonhunt.com](http://www.watsonhunt.com). Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



# Events

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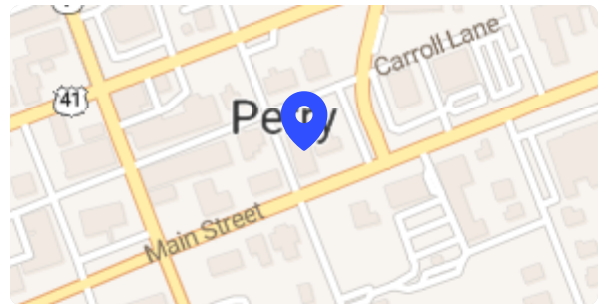
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## Visitation

 **Saturday**, September 28, 2024


 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET


 **Perry Methodist Church**  
1002 Carroll Street, Perry GA 31069

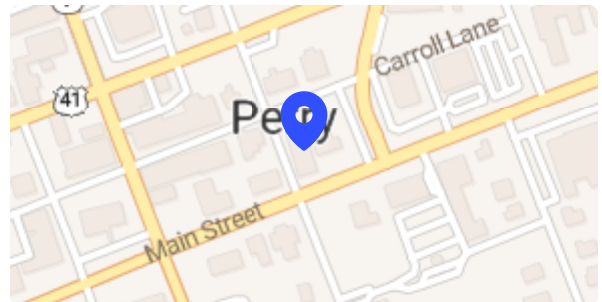


## Funeral

 **Saturday**, September 28, 2024

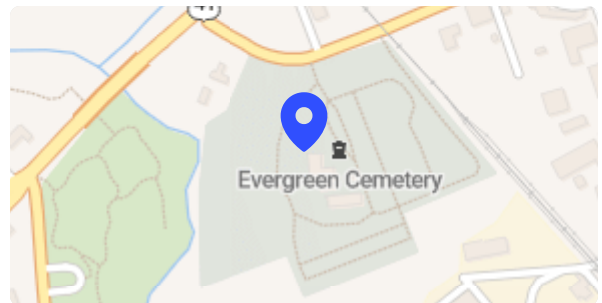
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## Cemetery Details

 **Evergreen Cemetery**  
720 Main Street, Perry GA 31069





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IW

**Ira T. (Tommy) White**, posted:

Lynda, I'm so sorry to hear about Bob. I remember when he came to high school. He immediately became a part of us. It was like he grew up with us. He was such a decent guy. I have always been close to the Walker family. Just know that I'm thinking about the Kelly, Walker, and Hulbert families. Tommy White

October 4 at 9:33 AM

NJ

**Nan Johnson** posted:

Lynda, please accept my deepest condolences on behalf of yourself and your family. Bob and I were classmates at Perry High School and lab partners in Mr. Earl Marshall's chemistry class. I enjoyed waving at Bob when my dog and I walked on Washington Avenue and chatting with him and you at our class reunions, which he and you always attended. May your memories of Bob comfort you now. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

September 30 at 5:32 AM

TH

**Teresa Pierce Hobbs** posted:

Lynda, I am so sorry to read about Bob's passing. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

September 29 at 5:32 AM

SG

**Summer G.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ROBERT.



September 28 at 5:06 AM

LB

**Lynward And Janet Barrett** posted:

Lynda, Janet and I are so sorry to hear the news about Bob. Please know that our prayers are with you and your family. Bob was always very kind to me and others. Lynward and Janet Barrett

September 27 at 3:06 PM



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JS

**Julie Stanley** posted:

Lynda, I cannot imagine the pain and sadness you are feeling. May God surround you and your family with His comfort, love and strength as you go through these sad days. 🙏

September 27 at 7:24 AM

BW

**Bob, Wendy, Haley, Gray And Walker Way** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ROBERT.

September 27 at 6:59 AM



BW

**Bob, Wendy, Haley, Gray And Walker Way** sent a Simply Lily to the KELLY family.

September 27 at 6:59 AM



TS

**Travis, Charis, And Zion Spann** sent a Love's Embrace Roses – Purple to the KELLY family.

September 27 at 3:47 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice to the KELLY family.

September 26 at 10:28 PM



**Anonymous** sent a White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement to the KELLY family.

September 26 at 6:59 PM





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**Anonymous** sent a White Sympathy Standing Spray to the KELLY family.

September 26 at 5:10 PM



**May Boys** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ROBERT.

September 26 at 5:10 PM



**Jim, Kathy, Hannah And Abby Wheeler Wynn** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ROBERT.

September 26 at 4:05 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the KELLY family.

September 26 at 4:05 PM



**Alison Wright** posted:

My husband Hal and I have known your wonderful husband Bob for many years now. Usually I would chat with him while he was having lunch on Saturdays with his Mafia friends at the club !! What a handsome, gentle and kind person he was. We will truly miss him . Please accept our sincere condolences.

September 26 at 2:16 PM



**Lourdes Adams** posted:

Dear Lynda and family: we're so sorry for your loss. The comfort to know he's with Jesus brings peace, great loving family and is being a privilege to know him. Love, Wayne and Lourdes

September 26 at 11:24 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a White Standing Spray to the KELLY family.



September 26 at 9:55 AM



**Jane Collier** posted:

Lynda, There are just NO words. Many prayers for you and all of your family..... God bless.... God will be your righteous right hand. Love you, Jane Collier

September 26 at 7:08 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket to the KELLY family.



September 26 at 4:57 AM



**Jeanne Giles Pierce** posted:

Dear Lynda, you and your precious family have my sincere sympathy for your great loss of Bob. I am thinking of you. With love, Jeanne Giles Pierce

September 26 at 4:05 AM



**Susan Verrochi** posted:

Dear Linda and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. I will miss cutting his hair and our conversations. So sweet, generous, and always a gentlemen. He was the best! Susan Verrochi

September 26 at 4:05 AM



**Carl Farmer** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss! Y'all are definitely in my thoughts and prayers! May God comfort you during this time!

September 26 at 3:33 AM



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PM

**Patti Pryor Mills** posted:

Please accept my deepest condolences Lynda, and all your family. I was deeply saddened when I heard the news. I know what a beautiful loving man he was to all the family, and he deeply loved the Lord. You will all be in my prayers. Patti Pryor Mills

September 25 at 3:55 PM

PE

**Pam Ekey** posted:

Linda, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. 🙏🙏🙏 Pam Ekey

September 25 at 3:23 PM

VC

**Vicki Claxton** posted:

Bob was one of the finest men I ever knew! He was blessed by God because he was a giver. Most people do not how he took care of others. Me for one. Our community has lost a wonderful friend!

September 25 at 2:39 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring ROBERT by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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