



## Gordon Ray Estes Jr.

February 2, 1965 - April 7, 2024

Gordon Ray Estes Jr., 59 of Milton, passed away on April 7, 2024 after an extended illness.

Gordon was born on February 2, 1965 in Putnam County, West Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents Homer and Ruby Estes of Hurricane, West Virginia.

After Gordon graduated from Hurricane High School in 1983, where he was a member of the award winning HHS band, he went on to study Psychology at Marshall University.

Over the next few years, Gordon worked as a floral designer at Hurricane Floral and participated in design competitions and shows across the state. Even as he pursued other careers, he continued his love of flowers and creating beautiful floral works of art. During this time he proudly served his country at Fort Jackson and Fort Drum before coming home to serve fourteen years with the Cross Lanes Army Reserve Unit.

Later Gordon began his career as a Recovery Counselor at Pretera where he found his true passion for his life's work. He spent nearly twenty years helping countless people in the community that were struggling with

substance abuse and mental health issues.

After re-enrolling at Marshall University, he graduated with an Associate's degree in Psychology. He continued to study the disease of addiction and co-existing disorders. Always the student.

Gordon was a very generous person and loved to share his cooking skills with others. He will be greatly missed by his many friends as well as those he has helped through the years. He will be especially missed by his fur-baby Murphy. He and Murphy rescued each other.

A Memorial Service for Gordon will be 4:00 pm Saturday May 4, 2024 at Chapman Funeral Home Hurricane, WV.

Friends may visit with the family one hour prior to the service.

Anyone wishing to leave a memory may do so by visiting his tribute page at: [www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com).

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 4. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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3941 Teays Valley Road  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Chapman Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gordon Ray Estes Jr.



Chapman Funeral Homes - May 03, 2024 at 12:06 PM

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“ Mary Cooper lit a candle in memory of Gordon Estes



Mary Cooper - April 17, 2024 at 04:59 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



kathy estes fletcher - April 17, 2024 at 12:48 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Gordon Ray Estes Jr., give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Veteran, Gordon Ray Estes Jr., is “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - April 17, 2024 at 09:34 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Gordon R. Estes Jr. Album*



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**Scott Sheltz** - April 16, 2024 at 07:29 PM