



Obituary

Born: Saturday, July 12, 1952

Died: Friday, January 18, 2019

William "Billy" Rudson Purnell, Jr. lost his courageous battle with cancer on Friday, January 18, 2019 in his home at 2122 Hwy 158 West in Yanceyville, NC. Billy was born on July 12, 1952 to William R. Purnell, Sr. and Novella R. Purnell. He was of the Baptist faith.

Service Summary

Visitation

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, Mon Jan 21, 2019

Harrelson Funeral Service

143 3rd Avenue
Yanceyville, NC 27379

Graveside Service

Tue Jan 22, 2019

Turner Family Cemetery

2054 Hwy 158 West
Yanceyville, NC 27379

Billy was a lifetime automotive and equipment mechanic and retired from Caswell County Schools as transportation director. Following retirement, he enjoyed working part time at Caswell Pines Golf Club, where he also enjoyed playing.

Billy's greatest passion was stock car racing. He could build a car from the ground up. When he wasn't racing, he was the crew chief, mechanic, spotter, or spectator.

Billy is survived by his wife Cheryl Turner Purnell of the residence; two sons Cory Purnell of Yanceyville and Austin Purnell of the residence; two daughters Brandy English of Providence and Amy Purnell of the residence; two sisters Cindy Hamlett of Providence and Sybil Williams (Kenney) of Dry Fork; grandchildren Mason, Macy, and Gage of Providence; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at Harrelson Funeral Home Monday, January 21, 2019 from 6:30-8pm. A grave side service will be held Tuesday, January, 22 at 2pm at the Turner family cemetery, 2054 Hwy 158 West, Yanceyville. Donations may be made to the Caswell Cancer Resource Fund at Caswell Family Medical Center in Yanceyville or Hospice and Palliative Care Center of Alamance-Caswell.