



## Larry G. Kinnett

February 3, 1948 - September 4, 2023

Larry Gayle Kinnett, 75, of Russell Springs, Kentucky, passed away Monday, September 4, 2023 at Hospice of Lake Cumberland in Somerset ,Ky. He was born on February 3, 1948 to the late Lucian and Jenny Mc Farland Kinnett of Jamestown. Larry was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and friend.

Larry, or Q-ball as he was affectionately nicknamed by his Uncle Pete, was an exceptional athlete during his time at Russell County High School. His talent and dedication earned him a spot on the 12 region all tournament team, a significant achievement in the late 1960s. Larry's passion for sports and athletics continued throughout his life. After graduating from Russell County, he pursued a degree in Education at Western Kentucky University. In 1970, he returned to his cherished Russell County as a drivers education instructor and assistant coach for both football and basketball. Larry's leadership skills shone through, and he eventually became the head basketball coach during the 1974-1975 season.

In 1977, Larry became the first Athletic Director for the Russell County Schools, a role he held for an impressive 25 years. He tirelessly worked for the betterment of each athlete, coach, and program, leaving a lasting impact on the community. In 2011 Larry was inducted into the Kentucky Coaches Hall of Fame.

Larry also served as the District Building and Grounds Director, where he personally tackled various issues, supervised construction projects, and worked diligently to improve Russell County Schools. His strong work ethic and dedication were evident to all who knew him.

Upon retirement, Larry continued to support athletics while also finding joy in farming and land development. Q-ball was known for his dry humor and quick wit, often delivering memorable one-liners. He once humorously remarked to a gathering of friends and family, "If I was at your house, I'd go home." Q, has gone home and will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his many friends and family members.

Larry is survived by his high school sweetheart and loving wife, Lydia Sue Flanagan Kinnett, whom he married on September 8, 1968. He is also survived by his daughter, Leslie Popplewell (Jared) of Russell Springs, two grandchildren, Lilly and Kinnett Wills, and his great-granddaughter, Lennon. Additionally, Larry is survived by his two sisters, Judy Robertson (Lowell) of Russell Springs and Janelle Miller (Danny) of Knifley. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Larry was a member of The First Baptist Church in Russell Springs. Visitation will be Thursday September 7, 2023 after 5:00 pm at The First Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held Friday September 8, 2023 at 11:00 am also at The First Baptist Church. Burial will be at the Russell Springs City Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Larry requested that donations be made to the Larry Kinnett Russell County Athletic Fund at First National Bank in Russell Springs. Contributions to this fund will continue to support the athletic programs that Larry was deeply passionate about.

Larry Gayle Kinnett will be remembered for his outstanding athletic accomplishments, his dedicated service to the Russell County Schools. He leaves behind a legacy of hard work, love, and a commitment to community. H.E. Pruitt Memory Chapel in Jamestown, Ky in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Russell Springs Cemetery

Lakeway Dr.  
Russell Springs, KY 42642

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Russell Springs First Baptist Church  
Steve Warriner Dr.  
Russell Springs, KY 42642

## Funeral Service

SEP 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Larry G. Kinnett.

September 07, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Larry G. Kinnett.



September 07, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ Sue, I am sorry to hear of Larry passing away.. He joins love ones gone before him in Heaven.. I pray for You, Leslie & Jared and Grand children, Janelle & Judy who will truly miss Larry.. May God give you all the strength needed over the coming days..  
Lynn (St.Clair) Yarbro

Lynn (St.Clair) Yarbro - September 07, 2023 at 09:34 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry G. Kinnett.



September 06, 2023 at 03:29 PM

JJ

“ With deepest Sympathies to Sue and Family. Larry was a fellow classmate.

Judy Jacoby - September 06, 2023 at 01:45 PM

JL

“ I am so,so sorry !!!!

jack brent lawless - September 06, 2023 at 11:40 AM

JC

“ Larry was a great customer of mine for several yrs. Always enjoyed working with him. He was very kind, considerate, and friendly. Also, knew him as one of Jamestown's small town finest. He will be missed! Sympathies to Sue & all the family. 🙏🙏

Jan Reeder Centers - September 06, 2023 at 08:42 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry G. Kinnett.



September 05, 2023 at 10:16 PM