



## Gilbert Ray Chapman Sr.

January 25, 1948 - April 25, 2012

Gilbert Ray Chapman, Sr., 64, of Sterling, died Wednesday, April 25, 2012 in Sterling.

He was born January 25, 1948 in Winchester, the son of Delmar Clark Chapman, Sr. and Bertha Delmer Abe Chapman.

He was married to Claudia J. Chapman.

Mr. Chapman served in the US Army from 1966 until 1969. He was a heavy equipment operator and a member of the Operating Engineer's Union Local 77 for over thirty-three years. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother. Mr. Chapman was an avid auto mechanic, racer and fisherman.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Christine Hardy and her husband Mike of Stephens City; a son, Gilbert R. Chapman, Jr. of Sterling; two brothers, Roger Chapman and his wife Rita of Winchester and Delmar C. Chapman, Jr. of Culpeper; a sister, Deborah Ann Chapman of Culpeper; a brother-in-law, Chris Sommer of Chicago; a mother-in-law, Kathryn Sommer of Chicago; grandchildren, Kyle and Chase Hardy and a family friend, Lorraine Peck of Fairfax.

A sister, Jacqueline Shupe, is deceased.