



Clifford "Gene" Jones

March 10, 1942 - March 21, 2021

Clifford "Gene" Jones, 79 of Kearney passed away Sunday, March 21, 2021 at Mt. Carmel Home in Kearney. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 26, 2021 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, March 25, 2021 at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to the National Alzheimer's Association or the American Heart Association. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Clifford "Gene" Eugene Jones was born March 10, 1942 in Springview, NE to Clifford and Hazel (Blake) Jones. He was raised in Springfield, NE until his sophomore year of high school. The family moved to Loup City and later to Mason City where Gene helped on the family farm until he left to attend trade school in Milford, NE. Gene was a mechanic in Broken Bow and Ansley and was a service manager in Wayne and Ravenna for several years. Gene was united in marriage to Karen Rapp of October 9, 1966 at the Methodist Church in Ansley, NE. The family moved to Kearney in 1982. Gene was an over the road truckdriver before working at Anderson Wrecking and later the Loomis Salvage Yard. He went back to driving truck, retiring in 1992. Most recently, Gene and Karen sold peaches at farmers markets in Kearney.

Gene was a past member of the Eagle's Club and the American Legion. He also served as a volunteer firefighter for several years.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Karen Jones of Kearney; children, Bobbie Jo (Tim) Ackley of Lincoln, Mikel (Kristie) Jones of Lincoln, Pamela Rapp of Kearney, Lonnie (Judy) Jones of Kearney, Marcia (Sean) Temoshek of Kearney; 24 grandchildren; 55 great grandchildren; sister, Edith Van-Cleave of Omaha; brothers-in-law, Jack Frost of Omaha, Gail (Deb) Rapp of Blair and Kevin (Jeanne) Rapp of Ansley; sisters-in-law, Judy Jones of Mason City, Linda (John) Sturgill of Doniphan and Marlene Rapp of Kingsland, GA; as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Clifford was preceded in death his parents; sister, Freda Frost; brothers, Johnny Earl Jones and Donald Jones; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Edmond "Bud" and Rosa Rapp; brothers-in-law, Cliff and Keith Rapp; and his longtime friend, Wayne Welsh.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 233-3244

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
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Memorial Service

MAR 26. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Clifford "Gene" Jones

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ So sorry for your loss Karen and family! When I was younger and his parents and my grandparents were alive we saw them quite often. His Mom and my Grandma Higginson were 1/2 sisters but Hazel and my Mom(Vivian) were really close so we spent a lot of time with them when all of us were younger. Unfortunately the last time we had seen Gene was at my Mom's funeral! I hope he didn't have to suffer! He will forever be known by our family and friends in Ainsworth as the Peach Guy!! I know it was a lot of labor for him but he always had time for conversation with his customers. Extend my sympathy to all of your family Darlene Bain Clark

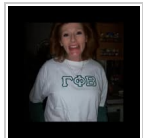
Darlene Clark - April 07, 2021 at 01:08 PM



“ Marcia and Family, so very sorry for your loss. Sending thoughts and prayers to you all.

Don Sickels, Dawnette and Family

Don Sickels - March 24, 2021 at 04:37 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Karen and your family. I'm so sorry for your loss and I pray God will bless you with peace and comfort by knowing that your beloved Clifford is at peace beside him. My sincerest condolences..

Mary Larsen - March 23, 2021 at 06:17 PM

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“ My daddy took me fishing for the first time. I was so excited, when we got to the Platte River and was waiting for him to give me a fishing pole. Instead he gave me a pitch fork and said start stabbing it in the banks of the river to fish. Guess what I caught the biggest catfish ever for a little girl. I love you my sweet dad and I miss you so bad.

Bobbie jo Ackley - March 23, 2021 at 05:48 PM

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“ We are going to miss our Grandpa Peach dearly!



Megan Thomasson - March 23, 2021 at 05:20 PM