



Gerald J. Waller Sr.

September 3, 1944 - November 10, 2020

Gerald Waller, Sr, 76 of Kearney passed away Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at Kearney Regional Medical Center in Kearney. Memorial services will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday, September 17, 2021 at the Kearney American Legion.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Gerald J. Waller, Sr. was born September 3, 1944 in Valley County, Nebraska to James Lloyd and Merna (Goodrich) Waller. He received his education from North Loup Scotia High School, graduating with the class of 1962. Gerald then attended Kearney State College where he was part of the football program. Gerald proudly served in the USAF from 1965, until his honorable discharge in 1971. During this time, he was stationed in France and later in England. It was here where he met Mollie A. Reid. The couple was united in marriage October 28, 1967 in Oxford, England. When the family returned to the United States, Gerald went into a partnership with his high school friend, Steve Reeves. Gerald was a longtime employee of Brown Transfer and Yellow Freight, retiring in 2005.

Gerald was a member of the American Legion Post #52, VFW Post #759 and B.P.O.E. #0984. He was also a proud member of the Teamsters Union. Gerald

loved to hunt, fish, and golf. He enjoyed woodworking and his conversations with friends at the American Legion Club. Most of all, Gerald loved his family and was a devoted grandfather.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Mollie Waller of Kearney; sons, Gerald Waller Jr. and wife, Sharon of Kearney, and Corey Waller and wife, Cami of Riverdale; daughter, Holly Carnes and husband, Mark of Kearney; grandchildren, Zachary Waller and wife, Brittany, Jacob Waller, Ella Waller, Ava Waller, Trystan Carnes, Londyn Carnes, Keeghan Hunt and Kaden Hunt; great grandchild, Thia Waller; mother-in-law, Grace Reid of Oxford, England; brother-in-law, Keith Oliver of Oxford, England; nieces, Kerrie Oliver and Nikki Brayshaw both of Oxford, England; and special friends of the family, Greg Sohrweid and Karri Boston.

Gerald was preceded in death by his parents; mother-in-law, Peg Marchant; father-in-law, Fred Reid; and sister-in-law, Lynn Oliver.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Kearney American Legion
1223 Central Ave
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald J. Waller Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *My memories of Gerald go back 70 years when we were both kids and our parents were good friends. Gerald often came to our farm at Arcadia and we did all of the crazy things that kids did at that time like building go carts and making our own entertainment. I only recall bumping into Gerald one time, a few years back, after he left high school but I have always considered him to be a lifelong friend. I send thoughts and prayers to his family at this sad time. God bless you all. Rolan Sell*

Rolan Sell - September 13, 2021 at 08:54 AM

DK

“ Mollie -

I was so sad to read about Jerry in the paper.

I have many memories from the days when we were neighbors in the trailer park to the time he worked for Clarence on the dock at Brown Transfer. He used to say "Oh, Chiefee" much to the amusement of the other guys on the dock and Clarence would tell him to quit calling him that. Of course he didn't.

Missy and I send our condolences to you and your family.

You, "Little Jerry", Corey, Holly, and families have our sincere sympathy and are in our thoughts and prayers.

--Diana Keith and Missy McVittie

Diana Keith - November 13, 2020 at 01:31 PM

SM

Mollie, please add my name to the list of mourners at the loss of your beloved Jerry. Best wishes to you and the family! Scott McVittie

Scott McVittie - November 18, 2020 at 04:56 PM

RS

“ *My memories of Jerry go back to growing up in the early 1950's. He was a cousin of my cousin, Allan Sell, and he, his folks, and his little sister used to come to our farm at Arcadia to visit. We had a lot of fun building crazy carts, etc. that kids did at that time. I have not seen Jerry for many years but he was a great childhood friend and I would like to pray that God will provide all of his family with peace and comfort at this sad time. May God bless you all.*

Rolen Sell

Rolen Sell - November 13, 2020 at 08:48 AM

SF

“ I’m so sorry to hear about Jerry’s passing. He was like a second dad to me. He was such a great man & will be greatly missed. Prayers to you all.

Sonya Ferris

Sonya Ferris - November 12, 2020 at 05:45 PM

MA

“ We are truly sorry to hear of Jerry’s passing. We wish you all comfort during this time. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

The Caldwell Family

Matt - November 12, 2020 at 04:29 PM

JR

“ Most genuine man I had the pleasure to share a beer with. Truly a family man who would do anything for you. Sincerest condolences to all The Waller Family ❤️

John Roper - November 12, 2020 at 03:47 PM

MT

“ I am so sorry to hear of Big Jerry’s passing! I have so many memories of growing up with the “Waller’s”. I will be saying extra prayers for all of you as you grieve!! He was definitely a genuine down to earth guy! RIP 🙏🙏🙏🙏

Mary Tucker - November 12, 2020 at 03:28 PM

DH

“ We are so sorry to hear the passing of Jerry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.
The Heddingers
Kenny, Diane, KC and Brock

Diane Hedding - November 12, 2020 at 03:06 PM

HE

“ I'm sorry to hear of Jerry's passing, I have a lot of great memories of him from my youth. My condolences to Mollie, Jerry Jr., Corey, Holly and the rest of the family..

H.D. Eigenberg

Heath Eigenberg - November 11, 2020 at 09:05 PM

BA

“ Our hearts are broken for you Mollie; Jerry will be missed. We so enjoyed having a beer or two with Jerry, his stories, and his humor. We can remember his smile and that hearty laugh. I'm glad for the memories we made this summer. Condolences to Jerry Jr., Corey, Hollie and families.

Much love to you all ~ Brenda & Bob Anderson

BRENDA ANDERSON - November 11, 2020 at 06:12 PM