



Eugene George "Gene" Koester

July 12, 1946 - January 18, 2020

Eugene George "Gene". Koester, age 73 of Chanute, KS passed away on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at Wesley Medical Center in Wichita, KS. Gene was born on July 12, 1946 in Iola, KS the son of George and Rosella (Thummel) Koester. He graduated high school from Chanute High School. On May 26, 1982, he married Sheryl Tasche in Chanute. She survives him at the home.

Gene worked for Oil Patch Supply for over 35 years. He served in the United States Army from 1966-1968 and was stationed in Germany. He loved to fish and hunt during his younger years. He raised and worked cattle and loved his horses. Gene was a jokester and enjoyed making people laugh. He enjoyed sports and going to watch the Royals and the Chiefs and he was a big NASCAR fan. Gene loved his dog Zoey and he took her everywhere with him. He most of all loved his family and spending time with them. Gene was a member of the American Legion, Knights of Columbus and St. Patrick Catholic Church in Chanute.

Gene is survived by:

Wife:

Sheryl Koester

Children:

William Koester and wife Robyn

Clinton Koester and wife Trina

Sister:

Doris Pugh

Daughter-in-Law:

Denise Koester

6 Grandchildren

5 Great Grandchildren and 1 on the way

Gene was preceded in death by his parents; son, Shawn Koester; brother, Ronald Koester and sister, Shirley Pugh.

The family will greet friends and family on Thursday, January 23, 2020 from 6-7 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Chanute. Rosary will follow the visitation at 7 p.m. at the church. Mass of Christian Burial will be on Friday, January 24, 2020 at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Chanute. Burial will follow the service at Memorial Park Cemetery in Chanute. The Chanute Honor Guard will be in charge of military honors. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. The family suggests memorials to be made to St Patrick Catholic School and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **23**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church - Chanute
424 S. Central
Chanute, KS

Rosary

JAN **23**. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

JAN **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GW

“ I missed typed a word Sheryl, on social media my post would close with a signed Love and Peace, that is what we meant for you, but leaves can be pretty and peaceful. Prayers for you always knowing Gene can Rest In Peace. Hugs from both of us. Gary & Susie. ..
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Gary and Susie Wilson - January 28, 2020 at 02:42 PM

GW

“ Gary And Susie Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Eugene George "Gene" Koester



Gary and Susie Wilson - January 28, 2020 at 12:10 PM

GW

“ Sheryl ,the pain of losing a child, and now your husband is so tragic. Gene was a good man. God Bless your family . We have known each other since Petrolia days and C.H.S.,and pray for your strength for the coming days. Gary and Susie Masters Wilson Love and Leaves

Gary and Susie Wilson - January 28, 2020 at 12:06 PM

MJ

“ Sheryl and Family. I am Gene's first cousin, Mary Jane Koester Jones, Claremorre Ok. My husband Richard and I are keeping everyone in our prayers of sympathy and concern. So very sorry. Unable to attend tomorrow due to weather and health.

Mary Jane Koester Jones - January 23, 2020 at 01:02 PM

PG

“ *Prairie Village Hairstyling Windy & Nancy Gifford purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eugene George "Gene" Koester.*



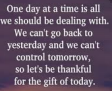
Prairie Village Hairstyling Windy & Nancy Gifford - January 22, 2020 at 09:18 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eugene George "Gene" Koester.*



January 22, 2020 at 01:10 PM



One day at a time is all we should be dealing with. We can't go back to yesterday and we can't control tomorrow, so let's be thankful for the gift of today.

“ *Sheryl were we neighbors in Petrolia many years ago
Linda Cochran Higgins
I live in Joplin Mo*

Linda Higgins - January 21, 2020 at 10:31 PM



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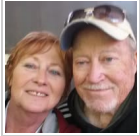
“ *Sheryl and family. So sorry for your loss, may your family and friends lift you in comfort.*

Linda Higgins - January 21, 2020 at 10:28 PM

DM

“ I bowled with Gene and Ron for many years on Tuesday nights. I agree, Gene was one of the happiest guys you could ever hope to meet. Always had a smile and the biggest infectious laugh. I will miss him. Condolences to his wife and family.

Denny Maher - January 21, 2020 at 12:36 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of this. Gene was a classmate (Class of '64) and I have many pleasant memories of him. He indeed was a jokester, and had a great sense of humor. My thoughts and prayers go out to his widow and children and the rest of his family. He will be remembered by many! RIP, Gene.

Dennis Baker - January 20, 2020 at 08:25 PM

CJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I did not have the pleasure of knowing Gene but we are cousins so he is family and family matters. His mom and my mom, Bertha, Thummel Henning were sisters so I know I met Gene on one of our few trips back to Kansas. My heart goes out to his family and siblings. I will be praying for the Lord's comfort and peace to all of you. With love, Cate Henning Jones.



Cate Henning Jones - January 20, 2020 at 06:20 PM