



Gary Lee Taylor

July 15, 1945 - July 28, 2023

Gary Lee Taylor, 78, of Chanute passed away unexpectedly at home on Friday, July 28, 2023. Gary was born on July 15, 1945, in Chanute, the only child of Willis Francis and Flossie (Turner) Taylor.

Gary grew up in Chanute and graduated from Chanute High School in 1963. On May 16, 1964, Gary married the love of his life Linda Jane Wiggans at United Brethren Church in Chanute, she survives at home. Gary and Linda were blessed two boys Todd and Brian.

In 1968, Gary along with his business partner Jerry Whitworth started Custom Campers and they would be in business together for 31 years. With being the owner of a camper manufacturer, Gary loved to come home from work on Friday and take the family on a spur of the moment camping trip. The family took hundreds of camping trips and after his retirement, Gary would go on trips with Linda, with their favorite spot being Branson. He also had a boat at Table Rock Lake that he named "Good Luck To Ya" which was his favorite phrase to say as he ended a conversation with anyone he talked to.

Gary's favorite things to do besides traveling were to go boating, watching football, KU basketball, and NASCAR. Gary also made sure that he did not miss a single sporting event that his grandchildren participated in.

If you were to ask Gary what he was most proud of, he would always say it was his sons Todd and Brian who he called his prized possessions, his granddaughters or little darlings as he referred to them as, and his double cousins that were like sisters that he referred to as his big darlings.

Gary was very well liked by all of his employees and he always treated his employees with the same amount of respect of as they showed to him.

Gary and Linda were members of First United Methodist Church and tried to be as active in the church as possible, as long as their health allowed them.

Gary will always be remembered as a witty, fun-loving, ornery happy camper. He is deeply loved and will be greatly missed by all of his friends and family.

Gary is survived by his wife Linda Taylor of Chanute, sons Todd Taylor and his wife Jennifer of Chanute and Brian Taylor of Chanute, two granddaughters Ashley and Haley, five great-grandchildren, and numerous cousins.

Services will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 10:00 am at First United Methodist Church in Chanute with burial to immediately follow the service at Memorial Park Cemetery in Chanute. Memorials have been suggested to First United Methodist Church and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, Kansas 66720.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Previous Events

Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church-Chanute
202 S. Lincoln
Chanute, KS 66720

Burial

AUG 1 (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery
E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Linda and family, I was so sorry to hear about Gary. Please know that he will be missed by everyone. I am glad we got to share some time together in 2019 when I rented the house in Humboldt. I will keep you in my prayers.
With deepest sympathy,
Janet Kelly

Janet Kelly - August 04, 2023 at 03:50 PM

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“ I have known Gary and Linda for most of my life, he always had a smile and “ how you doing, Deb” for me. He will be missed. Sending hugs across the miles and prayers of comfort to Linda and family 🙏
. Debbie Mishler

Debbie Mishler - August 01, 2023 at 02:56 PM

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“ Tracey Stich lit a candle in memory of Gary Taylor



Tracey Stich - July 31, 2023 at 06:46 PM

JK

“ Sorry for the loss of a nice friend from school a long time ago.
Prayers are with the family

Jim Kelly - July 29, 2023 at 10:27 PM

PC

“ *Pam Catterson lit a candle in memory of Gary Taylor*



Pam Catterson - July 29, 2023 at 01:37 PM