



J. W. Friend

October 31, 1931 - October 14, 2014

J. W. Friend, age 82 of Fredonia, died Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 2014 at Golden Living Center in Neodesha. He was born on October 31, 1931 in Okemah, OK, the only son of John William and Eva Bell (Russell) Friend.

On May 11, 1971 at Las Vegas, Nevada he married Kari Pierce. J. W. and Kari were married for 43 years and she survives at their home.

J. W. was an avid outdoorsman he loved to hunt, fish and trap. He was very adventuress and enjoyed going to the desert for motocross events, riding dirt bikes and off road sports. He and Kari also owned and operated the Bird Farm south of Fredonia.

J. W. was a 62 year member of the United Association of Pipefitters, Steamfitters, and Riggers, Local Union #250 out of Las Angeles, California he was initiated in on July 15, 1952. From 1974 to 1976 J. W. worked on the Alaskan Pipe Line.

Including his wife Kari, survivors include:

2 Sons:

Jon L. Friend of Fredonia, KS

Jimmy Ray Friend of Neodesha

3 Grandchildren: Dylan and Ethan Friend and Anna Lakin

4 Great Grandchildren: Camryn, Issac, Benthly and Zoe

J. W. was preceded in death by his parents; 2 children Jerry Wayne Friend and Jackie Marie Friend, and 1 granddaughter Robin Friend

Cremation has been requested and a memorial service will be held on Monday, October 20, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at Countryside Funeral Home in Fredonia. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com Memorials have been suggested to the ASPCA or American Diabetes Association and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Services are entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 420 S. 20th St., P.O. Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Fredonia
420 S. 20th St.
P.O. Box 247
Fredonia, KS 66736
(620) 378-2882

Tribute Wall

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of J. W. Friend*




Brenda - October 20, 2014 at 06:10 PM

HA

“ *Hassie lit a candle in memory of J. W. Friend*




Hassie - October 20, 2014 at 06:10 PM

 Sarah
Oney

“ *In loving memory of J.W.*



Sarah Oney - October 19, 2014 at 01:35 PM

 Sarah
Oney

“ *Lit a candle for J.W.*

Sarah Oney - October 19, 2014 at 01:32 PM

RV

“ J.W. was truly one of my favorite family members. I always looked forward to sharing time with him. During my youth, him, my Dad and I spent time hunting, fishing or just talking. I loved hearing the stories that they shared about their youth. JW will truly be missed.

Richard Vaughn - October 17, 2014 at 09:30 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of J. W. Friend.



October 17, 2014 at 09:24 AM

Florrie McGinnis

“ Absolutely one of a kind, he lived life to the fullest and will be missed by loving family and friends. Lots of good memories left for all.



Florrie McGinnis - October 16, 2014 at 10:56 AM

AT

“ Annette Thomas lit a candle in memory of J. W. Friend



Annette Thomas - October 16, 2014 at 08:42 AM

BJ

“ *Buffy Joyce lit a candle in memory of J. W. Friend*



Buffy Joyce - October 15, 2014 at 08:37 PM

BJ

Will miss JW greatly! Have many fond memories of him. Loved his smile!

Buffy Joyce - October 15, 2014 at 08:40 PM