



Joe Black

September 10, 1943 - February 9, 2025

Ronald Joseph (Joe) Black 81, of Fredonia, passed away on February 9, 2025.

Joe was born on September 10, 1943, in Wichita, Kansas, to Chester Paul Black and Agnes (Sommerhauser) Black. On September 21, 1961, he married Lela (Henley) Black, with whom he shared 63 years of marriage. Together, they had two children: Cheri (Jerry) Poole of Island Park, ID, and Michael (Tammy) Black of Emporia, KS.

Joe is survived by his beloved grandchildren: Dillon Poole (Kelly) of New York City, Sean Poole (Leann) of Junction City, KS, Josh Poole of Big Sandy, MT, Cody Black of Aurora, CO, and Tanner (Nicole) Black of Lawrence, KS. He also leaves behind two great-grandchildren, Liam and Elliana Poole.

Other Survivors include: Sister, Evonne Duff of Delaware and brother Roger Black (Brenda) of Wichita and numerous nieces and nephews. Joe was preceded in death by his parents, and brother Chester Paul Black.

Joe attended General Motors Mechanics Training School in Oklahoma City and worked for Brown Chevrolet and LaDow Spohn Printing before opening Black's Repair and later B & B Motors with Lela. After retiring, he continued his passion for cars by buying vehicles for other dealers at various regional

car auctions.

A lifelong hunter, outdoorsman, and avid golfer, Joe was a dedicated member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the NRA. He was also a proud member of the First Christian Church.

Joe's love for his family, the outdoors, and his work will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Cremation has been requested with family receiving friend on Friday, February 14, 2025, from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the funeral home. Memorials have been suggested to either the Fredonia Flag Fund or the First Christian Church of Fredonia and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com Services are under the direction of Countryside Funeral Home 420 S. 20th St., P.O. Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **14**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memorial Video*



Countryside Funeral Home - February 14, 2025 at 01:19 PM

DB

“ *Diann B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe Black.*

Diann B. - February 14, 2025 at 01:19 PM

MY

“ *I always have loved Joe and Lela, they were such a great couple. I was so looking forward to visiting with him again since I moved back to town. Will miss him*

Monica Yoder - February 14, 2025 at 03:10 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Joe Black.*



February 13, 2025 at 09:34 AM

MS

“ *Marlon and Michelle Spurrier purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joe Black.*



Marlon and Michelle Spurrier - February 12, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Joe Black.*



February 12, 2025 at 11:29 AM

BF

“ *Bill Timmons and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Joe Black.*



Bill Timmons and family - February 12, 2025 at 11:20 AM

TB

“ *My condolences go out to the family leia and friends of Joe Black. This is hard to hear, now Chester and Joe can be Toni Black* ❤️ 😊 😊 😊 🤔

toni Black - February 12, 2025 at 10:41 AM

IB

This is Ida Richard Buchanan so sorry about Joe, we were so sorry about Joe s passing, I have cancer in my jaw, from dentist pecking on my tooth caused me to have big knot on my chin so have to have it taking out of my jaw, put chemo in chest so dissolve matter in my chin . So we were unable to come Richard has tooth trouble too so have to have teeth pulled but our prayers are with you and your family. Richard,Ida,Bev and our family God bless you all

Ida Buchanan - February 15, 2025 at 11:28 AM



“ *Joe was more than a customer to me he was my friend, same age as my dad and we saw eye to eye on almost everything. I will miss him greatly.*

Curtis Strasburg - February 12, 2025 at 10:36 AM

DP

“ *We were saddened to hear of Joe’s passing. We will always remember his great smile and kind words. Please know you will be in our thoughts and prayers. May God’s Spirit comfort you during the days which follow.*
Dewayne & Harriet Powell
Amarillo. TX

Dewayne & Harriet Powell - February 11, 2025 at 09:38 PM

JE

“ *He will be missed — John and Sandy Edens*

John Edens - February 11, 2025 at 07:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joe Black.



February 11, 2025 at 12:50 PM



“ I was a 1956 Fredonia High school graduate With Roger Black Joe's brother and when i came back from the Army his brother Paul and i ran as friends together. I liked all the Blacks and I will miss seeing Joe--Rodger Shinn

Rodger Shinn - February 11, 2025 at 08:06 AM



“ Eric Shively purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joe Black.



Eric Shively - February 10, 2025 at 09:04 PM



“ Eric Shively planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe Black.

Eric Shively - February 10, 2025 at 09:04 PM

AN

“ *Such a great person. He was always cheerful and kind! Will be missed!!
Hugs and prayers to all*

Annette Nair - February 10, 2025 at 05:43 PM

TM

“ *What a kind soul! he will be missed by many! thoughts and prayers to the family!*

Terisa Martin - February 10, 2025 at 04:43 PM

AE

“ *So very sorry to hear this. Condolences to Lela and family. I have fond memories of Joe (and Lela) from when I was a youngster going to the car shop with my dad. Joe had a soda vending machine that dispensed cold pop in a glass bottle. It was a treat during those hot Kansas summers to have a cold pop at Joe's shop. Wishing comfort to all his loved ones.*

April Engstrom - February 10, 2025 at 04:12 PM

LM

“ *Joe will be missed such a great person !!❤️*

Lorrie Maxwell - February 10, 2025 at 03:27 PM



Joe was such a gentle man. He was always so nice and friendly. He will definatly be missed.

Nancy Cunningham - February 10, 2025 at 05:48 PM

JE

Joe was a great friend and a darn good mechanic, I will miss him very much, condolences to his family...

Jr. Edens - February 10, 2025 at 06:40 PM