



## Mark Alan Taylor

September 15, 1958 - July 15, 2020

Mark Alan Taylor, age 61, of Chanute, KS passed away on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at his home after a lengthy illness. Mark was born on September 15, 1958 in Kansas City, MO the son of Gerald (Gary) and Judith (Metzger) Taylor. Mark worked for many years as a welder for Churchill before becoming self-employed providing lawn care services throughout the community. Mark attended The Kansas School for the Deaf in Olathe, KS, graduating in 1977. Growing up, Mark enjoyed fishing and loved swimming at the Public Pool with his many friends. Mark never knew a stranger, and always had a big wave for everyone he came across. He loved to spend time driving around town, visiting and checking in on his friends and loved ones. He was best known for his huge heart, and being a loving and giving person to anyone in need. Also, everyone who knew Mark knew him for being quite the jokester.

Mark cherished spending time with his mother, always surprising her with little gifts he would pick up while out and about shopping. He also thoroughly enjoyed being a big part of his nieces and nephews life, which he loved like they were his own children.

Mark is survived by his mother Judy, of the home. Brother Richard Taylor (Aida) of Corpus Christi, TX.

Sisters Suzanne (jeff) Truax of Richmond, TX., Diane (Roger) Leatherman of Escalon, CA., and Marcia Jo Taylor of Chanute. Six nieces and nephews, numerous cousins.

Mark was preceded in death by his father Gary, sister Renee' (Taylor) Biggs,

and both paternal grandparents.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 24, 2020 at 1:30 PM at the funeral home, with burial to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2020 from 6-8 PM at the funeral home. Memorials have been suggested to the funeral home to help defray cost, and may be with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at: [www.countrysidedefh.com](http://www.countrysidedefh.com) Services 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

JUL 23. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Johnson Chapel  
101 N. Highland  
Chanute, KS 66720  
(620) 431-1220  
<https://www.countrysidefh.com>

## Service

JUL 24. 1:30 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Johnson Chapel  
101 N. Highland  
Chanute, KS 66720  
(620) 431-1220  
<https://www.countrysidefh.com>

# Tribute Wall

SM

“ Our family is really going to miss Mark. I've enjoyed getting to know him over the past 2 years we have lived in Chanute. He always had a smile. Wish I could have visited home before he passed.



Shonda Meyer - July 22, 2020 at 05:44 PM

GL

“ Sad to hear of Mark's passing ... I'd not seen him in several years...He was a great friend many years ago and will be missed by many...Rest Peaceful my friend 🙏



Glenda - July 22, 2020 at 09:38 AM

MD

“ Mark was a wonderful man and a great friend of my Ex husband Tom Moore and I. We met him 38 yrs ago when we lived in Chanute. He taught my daughter sign language when she was only 3 yrs old. He will be missed deeply by many.  
Sincerely,  
Melody Duran,

Melody Duran - July 22, 2020 at 12:56 AM



“ *Donna Dye lit a candle in memory of Mark Alan Taylor*



---

**Donna Dye** - July 21, 2020 at 05:13 PM

PB

“ *I am saddened to read about Mark. I really appreciated his friendship while living in Chanute. I lived on S. Central and he frequently came by and if I was outside always stopped for a chat, or if I needed and hand with something he was willing to jump right in. He was a lovely person and a good friend. I am so sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Pat Barnhart*

---

**Pat Barnhart** - July 21, 2020 at 07:26 AM

TM

“ *He was a happy vibrant man. With a big heart. Always smiling and so funny. He will be missed. Prayers to the families.*

---

**Tonya Morales** - July 21, 2020 at 01:01 AM

SR

“ *Judy and family, so sorry to learn of Mark's passing. Mark was a good friend who I enjoyed visiting with although he signed so much faster than I could read. He always had to slow down and help me when i would sign. He was always happy to see a friend. My prayers go out to your family. Please know Mark will be missed.*

---

**Sandy Redburn-Curtis** - July 21, 2020 at 12:50 AM

CW

“ I'm really going to miss Mark. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family!

Christina Wimsett - July 21, 2020 at 12:21 AM

LM

“ Mark was a good friend and will be missed. I'm so glad I moved here a couple of years and found a friend I could freely laugh and communicate with!



Lewis Meyer - July 21, 2020 at 12:12 AM

ML

“ I loved being in his presence. Always smiling and making me laugh. I could be having a horrible day but after spending a few moments with him he would have me smiling and laughing with him. A ray of sunshine. He will truly be missed.



Melissa Langford - July 20, 2020 at 10:43 PM

DR

“ David And Becky Roles lit a candle in memory of Mark Alan Taylor



David and Becky Roles - July 20, 2020 at 08:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mark Alan Taylor.*



---

July 20, 2020 at 08:04 PM



“ *My family will miss him very much. He always had a big wave and a smile for our kids, he got to know them from when Galen tinkered on his mowers. Our thoughts are with you and your family and we pray for peace and comfort for you all. We would have many conversations and used a lot of paper sometimes! He is loved by many and will be missed.*

---

**Kelly Vaughan** - July 20, 2020 at 07:48 PM



“ *So sorry, Mark was truly a good sole. He had loyalty to friends and family, and great sense of humor. I always enjoyed his visits, and we always found a way to communicate. Our entire community will miss him. My thoughts and prayers will be for Judy and family.*

---

**Jerry D Hughes** - July 20, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ *Mark was always such a sweet and kind soul. I loved talking with him. Many Blessings and Prayers for his family he left behind.*

---

**Lisa Dobbs Leatherman** - July 20, 2020 at 07:09 PM