



Robert Ernest Jenkins

July 2, 1932 - May 19, 2017

Robert “Bob” Jenkins passed away Friday, May 19, 2017, at his home. Bob was born July 2, 1932 in Topeka, Kansas, to Eugene W. Jenkins and Thelma Mae Linthicum Russell Jenkins. The family moved to Chanute in October, 1937. Bob attended Chanute Public Schools and graduated from Chanute High School in 1950. He attended one year of Jr. College. On June 12, 1955 he married Shirley Jean Reed in Chanute, and to this union three children were born.

Bob was a member of The First Presbyterian Church of Chanute where he served as a Deacon and Elder. He received his Amateur Radio License at age 16, and his extra class license in 1968. He communicated with fellow amateurs all over the world. He worked for the Kansas Department of Transportation servicing radios, radars, and towers for the KDOT, Highway Patrol, and KBI. He retired in 1995 after 34 years with KDOT. He was a member of the United States Naval Reserves for eight years as a radio operator.

Bob is survived by his wife Shirley; daughters Brenda Highberger (Greg), Wellsville, Kansas; Cynthia Fairchild, Chanute, Kansas; son Rob Jenkins, San Antonio, Texas; two sisters-in-law, Judy Reed Nardi, Olathe, Kansas; Karen Jenkins, Las Vegas, Nevada; six grandchildren: Jessica (A.J.) Crockett of Round Rock, TX, Russell Gilliland of Lawrence, KS, Emilie (Seth) Galemore

of Buda, TX, Peter Fairchild of Littleton, CO, Katie (Dave) Warner of Overland Park, KS, and Kara (Cody) Repp of Bonner Springs, KS; Six Great-Grandchildren, and six nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Eugene R. Jenkins and Gary L. Jenkins.

Cremation has taken place.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, May 27, 2017, at the First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas, 11:00 A.M. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Castaways Animal Shelter, or Harry Hynes Hospice. Arrangements have been entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 101 N Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church Chanute
15 N. Steuben
Chanute, KS 66720

Tribute Wall

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“ Rob, as we glory in the resurrection, Karen and I hold you and your family in our prayer for an inner peace during the difficult time of grief. You are inj our hearts.
Skip and Karen Courter

Skip Courter - May 26, 2017 at 08:45 AM

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“ Mrs Jenkins and family. Ron and i are sorry for your loss. We will be praying for all of you. Remember all the goof times. Blessings to all.
Frances and Ron Bara

Frances Bars - May 24, 2017 at 08:55 PM

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“ Shirley and family, we share your sorrow and loss at the homecoming of your husband, father, grandfather, and friend to so many, Bob Jenkins. He was such a friendly man, who always met you with a smile and a happy word. He will be missed by many. You know that he is in a better place, no more pain, only peace and joy in his brand new body, shouting Glory to God. He looks back at you with that smile, blowing you a kiss, telling you he will meet you on the other side. You know you all will be together again when you all get to Heaven. All our concerns, love and prayers with you at this time. God bless. Love you.

Beverly Gordon & family - May 23, 2017 at 04:44 PM