



Walter "Frank" Franklin Kathrens Jr.

March 6, 1933 - April 22, 2020

Walter Franklin Kathrens, Jr.

Walter Franklin Kathrens, Jr. (Frank) passed away on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at The Neighborhoods at Quail Creek in Springfield, MO at the age of 87 with his family present. He had just celebrated his 87th birthday with 30 family members in attendance.

Frank was the son of Walter Franklin Kathrens, Sr. and Helen Margaret Glenn Kathrens and was born on March 6, 1933 at Straight Creek, KS. He was preceded in death by his parents and nine brothers and sisters: Margaret Isabella Kathrens, Jeanne Baker, Jay "Bud" Kathrens, Evelyn Schultz Dawson, Barbara Clark, Frances Schuyler, Philip Kathrens, Norma Walden, and Audrey Howard.

Frank was united in marriage on August 28, 1954 to Joyceln Ann Cavender of Sabetha, KS. Six children were born to this union. Although they later divorced, they remained friends and worked together to love and support their children.

Surviving are Joyceln Kathrens of Sabetha, Kathy Johnstone and husband William of Bartlesville, OK, Dennis Kathrens and wife Cari of Denver, CO, Peggy Hartley and husband Bob of Branson, MO, Janet Kathrens of Bartlesville, OK, Walter Franklin Kathrens, III of Sabetha, KS, and Joni Sue Siess and husband Mark of Americus, KS, Maxine Cook, Wallace Kathrens, John Kathrens all of Holton, KS and Kay McKeever of Hines, Oregon. Grandchildren are Matthew Johnstone, Sr. of Bartlesville, OK, Morgan

Johnstone Barnhill (Chris) of Bartlesville, OK, Shannon Kathrens Niblack (James) of Polson, MT, Eustacia Kathrens of Polson, MT, Colt Hartley (Megan) of Spokane, MO, Chad Hartley of Branson, MO, Ashley Siess Goddard (Philip) of Bixby, OK, and Shelby Siess (TJ) of Lawrence, KS. Great-Grandchildren are Matthew Johnstone, Jr., James Johnstone, Lana Dunlap, Caitlyn Barnhill, Victoria, Lily, Tyler and Alan Niblack, Clayton and Collin Hartley, Blakely and Brenley Goddard and great-great granddaughter Brielle Johnstone.

Frank owned Kathrens Construction Company at Sabetha working in site preparation and soil conservation. He was multi-talented in many areas including electrical work and master carpentry and cabinet making. He enjoyed working with wood and created many treasured wood items for family and friends.

Frank had his private pilot's license and enjoyed flying all over the countryside. He enjoyed fishing and cooking, treating family to many home fried fish dinners. He played the harmonica for several years which was enjoyed by his family. He attended Circleville Christian Church in Circleville, KS.

Family viewing was April 25, 2020 at Stumpff Funeral Home in Bartlesville, OK. Memorial services will be held later.

Tribute Wall



“ *Walter "Frank" Franklin Kathrens Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Walter "Frank" Franklin Kathrens Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Prayers of healing for the entire family. Memories of so much fun and so many stories. Remembering Uncle Frank with love. Jay and Karen Richard*

Karen Kathrens - Richard - April 28, 2020 at 06:05 PM



Thank you Karen & Jay ❤️

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Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - April 28, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Walter "Frank" Franklin Kathrens Jr. .*



April 24, 2020 at 04:56 PM