



## Clarence "Jack" Stratton

March 26, 1940 - February 24, 2025

Clarence "Jack" Stratton, Jr., 84, Auburn, Kansas, beloved father, grandpa, great-grandpa, and great-great-grandpa, who loved his family dearly and would do anything for them, passed away peacefully at his home, Monday, February 24, 2025.

Jack was born March 26, 1940, in Independence, Kansas, the son of Clarence, Sr. and Lavana Dell Stratton and graduated from Neodesha High School. He was employed by the City of Topeka Engineering Department as a registered land surveyor, retiring in 1993 with 34 years of service.

On June 18, 1960, Jack and Mary Kay Stebbins were united in marriage, enjoying more than 63 years together prior to her death March 8, 2024.

In 1979, Jack and Mary Kay owned the Spot Tavern in Topeka until 1981 when they sold it and bought the Bar JK in Pauline, owning it until Jack retired. When Mary Kay retired, they loved to travel and would join other snowbirds to winter in Port Aransas, Texas in their camper. When their son Kelly moved to Florida, they began to winter there eventually buying a park model which they sold in 2023.

Jack liked to fish, garden, play cards and attend any grandchild's event. He could be found daily having coffee and telling stories at the Wind Tunnel in

Auburn. Jack loved his family and he loved life. His kindness and good humor were well known in the Topeka and Auburn communities where he was loved and respected.

Grateful to have shared Jack's life are his son, Don Stratton (Lisa); 14 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren (with two more due in June); and his sisters, Jan Bleam and Phyllis Ogle.

Jack was also preceded in death by his daughters, Pam Snyder and Susan McDonald, his son, Kelly Stratton and his sister, Lee Batcher.

Family will greet friends from 5 until 7 p.m. Monday, March 3, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. A Celebration of Jack's Life will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 4, at the Auburn Community Center, Auburn KS. Jack was a lifelong KC Chief's fan, so please consider wearing your Chief's apparel in his honor and memory. Burial will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Auburn Community Center Association (ACCA) and sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Hope Cemetery

4700 SW 17th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
[info@kevinbrennanfamily.com](mailto:info@kevinbrennanfamily.com)

## A Celebration of Life

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Auburn Community Center  
121 W 11th Street  
Auburn, KS 66402

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Clarence "Jack" Stratton



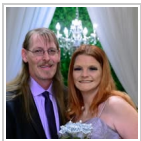
Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - February 27, 2025 at 04:45 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of meeting Jack and Kay when they purchased a vehicle from us. We became friends and over the years they would stop in and say hi. I would help them to register their vehicles in Florida. They were great people, was blessed with the friendship. He is with the love of his life now. R.I.P. Jack.

Barb Berry

Barb Berry - March 03, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ We were so saddened to hear of Jack's passing. We know he is with miss Kay now having her give him what's for once again. I am going to miss him and her both. I'm just grateful that God blessed us with putting them in our lives, even if it was only a few years.

Laura Emperley - February 28, 2025 at 10:55 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Clarence "Jack" Stratton.*



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February 28, 2025 at 05:57 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clarence "Jack" Stratton.*



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February 28, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Clarence "Jack" Stratton.*



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February 27, 2025 at 04:18 PM



“ *I am sorry to hear of Jack's passing. We had many great conversations and laughs when he would come in to Auburn Apple Market, and later Lewis Toyota. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Kerri-Ann Barrett (Scharf)** - February 27, 2025 at 01:31 PM