



Duane Albert Predmore

December 9, 1928 - June 30, 2016

Duane Albert Predmore, 87, Topeka KS, passed away Thursday, June 30, 2016.

Duane was born December 9, 1928, to Carl and Reeta Camp Predmore in Concordia KS. He went to a country school then served in the US Army Air Corps where he worked on radio transmissions. He worked as a television technician and general electrician, a repairman for appliances.

Duane married Catherine LaBarbera in 1953 in St. Anne's Catholic Church in New York City after meeting her at a New York Yankee baseball game and posting letters while he went to New Mexico for training as a radio technician. They made their home in Clinton MO and then Concordia KS where he was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. After moving to Topeka, they were members of Most Pure Heart of Mary Church.

Duane is survived by his wife, Catherine; and their two children Deborah Predmore, of Topeka and David Predmore of Kansas City MO. Other survivors include his sisters, Lila Clark and Patty Lou Ouellette; one brother, Reynard Predmore; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Donna Faye Predmore and one brother, William Predmore.

Duane was a lifelong fisherman, hunter and baseball fan. He coached girls softball teams for many years and won a league championship once. He loved telling tall tales, especially around the campfire. Outlaw stories were his favorite, but he loved historical stories as well. He went tent camping around Kansas parks for years then bought a camper and most summer weekends he would be at the lake. He kept up on baseball teams and any news on space travel. He liked reading, doing crossword puzzles, playing pitch and he loved jokes. He liked having pets around the home. Duane always liked to travel to see family near and far, New York and California. Climbing and hiking were fun events along with visiting sights of the Grand Canyon, redwoods, state and national parks and traveling to Italy after retirement.

A parish rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, where Duane's family will greet friends until 7 p.m.

Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church. Military honors will be provided by Whiteman Air Force Base Honor Guard.

Cremation will follow. Inurnment will take place at Mt. Calvary Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to the Alzheimer's Association, Midland Hospice or Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, sent in care of the funeral home.

Previous Events

Rosary

JUL 5. 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

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Mass of Resurrection

JUL 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church
3601 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Duane Albert Predmore*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 01, 2016 at 05:01 PM



“ *Duane Albert Predmore*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Ralph, Marla, Paul, and Jena LaMontagna purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Duane Albert Predmore.*



Ralph, Marla, Paul, and Jena LaMontagna - July 05, 2016 at 10:23 AM

JD

“ *This is too hard. I agree with everything Jennifer said. Duane was a second father to us all, including Pat! My kids loved him too, and he only came in second to Grandpa Sam! There is no way to put down all of the wonderful memories we've all made together throughout the years. Duane was part of the fabric of our lives. He is interwoven into all of my life. His bad jokes come to mind the most, he sure could make you laugh! Even now (after watching the picture tribute and falling apart) I can think of one of his jokes and laugh. What a gift that is. I've missed Duane for the last few years, and will miss him forever. He always has had my love.*

Jackie Spade DiTullio - July 04, 2016 at 05:19 PM

JS

“ *I will always treasure my memories from our visits with the Predmores. These are only surpassed by the memories from our travels. All of the gatherings were filled with love and laughter. Duane was so very much a second Dad for me; another country boy who married a New York gal and who was the essence of common sense, fun and goodness. His inherent boyish charm was captured for me when, at age of 75, he took the time to teach my girls how to properly catch fireflies. Duane you were so loved and you will be missed always.*

Jennifer Spade Smith

Jennifer Spade Smith - July 04, 2016 at 04:20 PM

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“ *I remember Duane's great sense of humor. My thoughts and prayers are with you Debbie and your mom, and brother.*
Phyllis Goetz

Phyllis Goetz - July 02, 2016 at 07:25 PM