



## Jerry Cloud

May 16, 1952 - August 14, 2018

Jerry L. Cloud, 66, Topeka, Kansas, passed away Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at his home.

Jerry was born May 16, 1952, in El Dorado, Kansas, the son of Noble and Edna Tatum Cloud. He graduated from El Dorado High School in 1970, Butler County Community College in 1972 and completed his education at Wichita State University. Jerry married Carole Schank Birdsley in Miami, Oklahoma, in 1992. He retired from the Kansas Department of Labor with over 35 years of service. Jerry loved attending his grandchildren's events, fishing and hunting. He loved to travel with Carole and her sisters and would often say, "I'm driving Miss Daisies." Jerry also enjoyed his time in Branson and staying at the Big Cedar Lodge.

Grateful to have shared his life are his wife, Carole; daughters, Paige Birdsley (Brad Norton), Jami Wohler (Brian) and Brooke Birdsley (Eddie Hernandez); and grandchildren, Greer and Finn Norton, Hunter and Cooper Wohler and Damian, Daniel and Sawyer Hernandez. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jerry was cremated and his celebration of life will be 1 p.m. Sunday, September 2, 2018, at the F.O.P. Lodge, 2649 SE 45th Street, Topeka KS 66609.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association or Helping Hands Humane Society, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

# Previous Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

SEP 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

F.O.P. Lodge  
2649 SE 45th Street  
66609, KS 66609

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry Cloud*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Prayers for ALL. Jerry is very comfortable now in God's arms.*

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**Rebecca Schiefelbein** - August 20, 2018 at 10:10 AM

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“ I am very sorry for your loss and the emptiness it's created in your lives. Jerry hired me in 2001 and was my mentor at KDOL. He taught me everything I needed to know as a State Auditor in the Liability Unit. His depth of knowledge regarding Kansas Employment Security Law was unsurpassed and he was constantly approached with situations that seemed unsolvable. Not so for him, he had the answer.

He was also a good friend and taught me the fine art of collecting fishing tackle. I remember how excited he got one time when he outbid someone on EBay and paid \$300.00 for a bass lure that would never see the water or catch a fish. It was like he'd won the lottery.

I had been there (KDOL) maybe a month and he said come with me and we got in his truck and went to some guys warehouse and he had me guide him back up to a ramp. He took me inside the building and we loaded a huge freezer in to the back of his truck and took it home. He said the old one had bit the dust and between the two of us we carried it in to his basement. That was the heaviest freezer I ever lifted. He was laughing and joking as we carried it in. He never broke a sweat.

He was a good man, a role model as a husband and father. The day he retired from KDOL and walked out the door, you could feel the vacuum of knowledge he possessed sucking the door closed behind him. KDOL's loss was his family's gain.

I will miss you Jerry and never be able to thank you enough for everything you taught me. God bless you.

Mike Mahan

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Mike Mahan - August 20, 2018 at 12:23 AM