



## LeRoy Jurgensmeier

July 30, 1938 - April 12, 2019

LeRoy Jurgensmeier, 80, of Topeka, Kansas passed away on April 12, 2019, after an 11 year battle with Melanoma. He was born July 30, 1938, at home on the farm just west of Fairview, Kansas with no electricity or indoor plumbing.

LeRoy was the eighth of nine children born to Bernard J. and Helena E. Jurgensmeier. Bernard died when LeRoy was seven so he was raised by his mother and older siblings.

LeRoy attended Fairview schools, graduating with the class of 1956. He joined the U.S. Army in September, 1957, spending a total of six years with the Kansas National Guard unit in Sabetha, Kansas.

LeRoy married Carolyn L. Stokes on April 15, 1961, at Assumption Catholic Church in Topeka, Kansas. He was a long time member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church and founding member of Christ the King Catholic Church.

He worked at Santa Fe general offices from May 1959 to March 1962 when he joined American General Life Insurance Company. LeRoy and Carolyn moved to Hiawatha, Kansas until 1966 when LeRoy was promoted to General Manager. They moved back to Topeka and have lived here since.

LeRoy retired August 31, 2001, as General Agent. He received his professional degrees of Chartered Life Underwriter in September 1972 and Chartered Financial Consultant in October 1984.

During his 40 years with American General he received many distinguished company and industry awards and trips.

LeRoy and Carolyn enjoyed 37 years of KC Chiefs season tickets and went to Super Bowl XXX. They also went to many K-State basketball and football games including many of their bowl games.

LeRoy and Carolyn enjoyed traveling to many parts of the U.S. and the Caribbean. They enjoyed 20 different cruises to Italy, Russia, the British Isles, Australia, New Zealand, Alaska, and Panama Canal. Most of their U.S. trips were to golf resorts, including Pebble Beach, Hawaii, Myrtle Beach, Florida and Arizona. LeRoy was a member of Lake Shawnee Men's Club and Santa Fe League.

LeRoy is survived by his wife, Carolyn; two sons, Ronald L. (Lisa) Jurgensmeier and Scott A. Jurgensmeier of Topeka; two daughters, Deborah J. (Mark) Kopp of Havensville, Kansas and Cynthia L. (Eric) Shoemaker of Lenexa, Kansas; and nine grandchildren.

Also surviving are five sisters, Evelyn M. (Hubert) Suther, Viola A. Peters, Helen M. Skinner, Bernice L. (Charles) Newman and Lois K. Bindel; one sister-in-law, Joan Jurgensmeier; and many nieces and nephews.

LeRoy was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Raymond, Leo and Eugene.

Visitation will be at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka, KS on Tuesday April 16th from 5-7p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Fidelity, Kansas on Wednesday April 17th at 10a.m., burial will follow in Fidelity Cemetery, Fidelity, Kansas.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Midland Hospice Care or Fidelity Cemetery, sent in care of the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Augustine Catholic Cemetery

1641 Y Road  
Sabetha, KS 66534

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 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)

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Augustine Catholic Church  
1948 Acorn Rd  
Sabetha, KS 66534

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of LeRoy Jurgensmeier



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 03:11 PM



“ LeRoy Jurgensmeier

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Thinking of all of you today as you lay LeRoy to rest. I'm so happy I got to meet him and the rest of the family. What a great guy.

Debby Cowan



Debby Cowan - April 17, 2019 at 03:03 PM



“ Always enjoyed our visits with Leroy as he tried to help us understand the Insurance world. He was a gem and we are sure that he will be missed by his family. Linda & Jim Heinen Seneca, Kansas

Linda Heinen - April 17, 2019 at 10:10 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of LeRoy Jurgensmeier.*



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April 16, 2019 at 08:16 PM



“ *Carolyn, my prayers go out to you and your family with deepest sympathy. Enjoyed our years of playing golf together. Leroy will be missed by all.*

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**Vonna McDaniel** - April 16, 2019 at 06:41 PM



“ *Deepest sympathy to the Jurgensmeier family. LeRoy was such a kind gentleman and his smile will never be forgotten!. When I was a child and he would visit Mom and Dad I always thought he was Dick Van Dyke! Cheryl and David Jacobson*

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**Cheryl Jacobson** - April 16, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ *Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of LeRoy Jurgensmeier.*



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April 16, 2019 at 09:49 AM



“ *Prayers to all the family, so sorry for your loss.*

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**Vicki Huerter Tomlinson** - April 15, 2019 at 09:19 AM

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“ We are sorry to hear of Leroy's passing. He was a special man who was a devoted husband ,father and grandfather. His family is very special to us. All of us In the Wildcat family will miss him. He may be gone from sight but never from the heart. Thinking of all of you.  
*Mike &Patti Goehring*

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**mike &Patti goehring** - April 14, 2019 at 11:25 AM

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“ Thoughts and prayers to all of LeRoy's family. Fred and I enjoyed our insurance visits with LeRoy. My father, Michael Banks from Fidelity, was two years older and they were friends. They went to the same schools and were in the National Guard together. I remember LeRoy coming to visit us in Topeka when I was a child. I enjoyed listening to them tell stories of when they were kids. LeRoy had the best smile.  
*Sheila Banks Fernkopf*

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**Sheila Banks Fernkopf** - April 14, 2019 at 09:55 AM