



Richard Stewart

March 24, 1932 - April 4, 2019

Richard E. Stewart passed away on April 4, 2019, at the age of 87 in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

He was born March 24, 1932, in Topeka, Kansas, the son of Earl and Edna Stewart. Richard graduated from Hayden High School in Topeka in the Class of 1950.

Richard very proudly served in the United States Air Force, flying 24 missions during the Korean War. After returning home he married Elizabeth A. Strecker on May 1, 1954, also a 1950 graduate of Hayden High School, who was to be his wife for 60 years. He was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad for more than 38 years before retirement. The couple then relocated to Oro Valley, Arizona, where he volunteered for the Oro Valley Police Department and received an Arizona State award for the most hours ever volunteered by any individual. Richard was known by his friends and family for his wonderful sense of humor.

Richard was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth, his parents and his sisters, Pat Bean and Rita Barber.

He is survived by his daughter, Kathleen and her husband, Tim Weeks; daughter, Karen Stewart; son, Gary Stewart; and son, Kevin and his wife, Anne Stewart; his sister, Marcella Bratton; his grandchildren, Jennifer Poppen, Elissa Stogner, Lindsey Gonzales, Adam Stewart, Derek Orejel, Lauren Stewart, Leigh Ann Diefendorf, Keith Orejel, Brenna Weeks; his great-grandchildren, Cameron Poppen, Tyson Poppen, Baylee Stewart, Gabriella Poppen, Gavin Stewart, Dean Diefendorf, Drew Diefendorf, Cicada Gonzales, Archibald Stogner and Bryn Gonzales.

Services will be held at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Visitation will be Friday, April 26th from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. A rosary will be prayed at 5:30 p.m. Funeral service will be Saturday, April 27th at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Inurnment, with military honors, will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to Hayden Catholic High School Foundation, Attn: Richard & Elizabeth Stewart Family Scholarship Fund, 401 SW Gage Blvd, Topeka Ks 66606.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
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Rosary

APR 26. 5:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

APR 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Stewart*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 25, 2019 at 06:35 PM



“ *Richard Stewart*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Karen, Katfhy, Kevin, Gary*

I am so sorry to hear about Uncle Dick. Many memories of him and his sense of humor. Always called Julie's(my daughter) babysitter smelly Melly. She will be 50 this year, so along time ago. I reside in Arizona for about 8 months a year and then travel the US. Would like for one of you to contact me, if possible. My # is 785 221-1369

Marilyn Breight - April 24, 2019 at 11:54 PM



“ *Claude Savage*

I am so sorry to hear that Dick has passed away. I worked with Dick in San Bernardino as traveling auditor for Santa Fe for 4 years. He taught me a lot about auditing and life.

We had great times traveling and auditing in California, Arizona and New Mexico In the last few years I have tried to get in touch with him but no luck. My condolences to the family.

*Would like to hear from anyone in the family. 714-349-2525
casdfa@gmail.com*

Claude Savage - April 24, 2019 at 12:49 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Stewart.* ”



April 24, 2019 at 12:47 PM