



Vernon Reece

April 28, 1928 - February 16, 2011

Vernon Eugene Reece, 82, formerly of Topeka, died at his home in Estes Park, Colorado, Wed, Feb. 16, 2011. He was born April 8, 1928, in Topeka, the son of Glen and Cecil (Kelly) Reece.

Vernon graduated from Washburn Rural where he also played football. He joined the Catholic Church and married Elizabeth (Betty) Stein, mother of his four children on May 25, 1950, in Valley Falls. They were members of Most Pure Heart of Mary and later Christ the King. He was a salesman at Montgomery Wards, Karlan's and Ed Marling's where he received many awards for providing great customer service. His love for God and his family was always his passion. He enjoyed hunting, golfing and his Irish heritage. He was preceded in death by his wife Betty in 1984. After retirement in 1993, Vernon fulfilled a lifelong dream of living in Estes Park, where he was a member of Our Lady of the Mountains Church and the Lions Club. He was also a 4th Degree member of Knights of Columbus Council #12063.

Vernon is survived by his children: John Reece and wife, Beth of Parker, CO; Cindy Arnold of Topeka; Robert Reece and wife, LuAnn of Manhattan, KS; Connie Hull and husband, Rich of El Dorado Hills, CA; brother, Vic Reece of Overbrook, KS; sister, Arlene Ellison of Topeka. He is also survived by 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren and his second wife, Shirley. He was

preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Evelyn and Shirley.

A Catholic rosary and mass will be held at Estes Park this weekend. Burial will be at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Topeka at a date to be determined.

Tribute Wall



“ *Vernon Reece*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Bob, John, Cindy, Connie and families-*

*I smile when I think of your Dad and Mom... They could see through my B.S. and still let me hang out with Bob. What wonderful folks.
Dave Petty*

Dave Petty - February 24, 2011 at 04:57 PM



“ *Shirley and all: Be assured of our thoughts and prayers in this time of sorrow. We can't avoid the sorrow, but we are reminded that we face the same glorious resurrection and victory granted to our Savior. Blessings and peace to you and yours.*

Mike and Caroll Glotzbach - February 22, 2011 at 07:32 PM



“ *Dear Shirley, We are so sorry for your loss. We recall many good times with you and Vernon. Give us a call when you have time.*

Our prayers are with you at this time.

Love, Jerry and Wini

Gerald Wykert & Wini - February 22, 2011 at 12:52 AM

PH

“ *What a guy! Lots of memories playing cards and plenty of laughs. Prayers and blessings to all the family.*

Pat (Moore) Haines - February 21, 2011 at 08:14 PM

DG

“ *To you all I extend my sincere sympathy with the passing of your Dad. Vernon and Betty were regulars at our home when they came to play cards with my Mom, Ruthe and Step-Dad, Jack. You all will remain in my thoughts and prayers in the days ahead.*

Donna Putthoff Grammer

Donna Putthoff Grammer - February 21, 2011 at 03:19 PM

KD

“ *To Connie, Cindy, Bob, John and their spouses and children....I just heard about your Dad's crossing over today and wanted to send you prayers and condolences. Your dad welcomed me into his and your mother's home like I was family and always had a ready smile or laugh for me....and jelly beans! I pray healing and comfort for you all and a kingdom in heaven for your father. I drove by the Topeka home and Gage Park today in remembrance. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Kelly Dunklee*

Kelly Dunklee - February 20, 2011 at 04:42 PM