



George Ray Gray

November 29, 1932 - December 6, 2020

George Ray Gray, son of the late Ira Gray and Nettie Gray, was born on November 29, 1932 in New Underwood, South Dakota.

At an early age, George and his family moved from South Dakota to Plato, Missouri and later relocated to Richland, Missouri where he graduated from Richland High School.

After graduation, George worked as a barber and then joined the United States Army. He served for two years before being honorably discharged.

On October 6, 1978, George was united in marriage to Geraldine Miller in Camdenton, Missouri. They shared over 42 years of marriage together.

After leaving the Army, George began as an over the road truck driver which he did for many years along with Geraldine by his side. He drove a dump truck for several years and also drove for Enterprise. George was a hard worker and always provided for his family's needs.

In his earlier years, George was a member of the Eldon Christian Church where he served as deacon. He was also a member of the Pleasant Hope Masonic Lodge #467 AF & AM.

For most of their married life, George and Geraldine lived in Springfield. In their later years, they sold their home in Springfield and were “snowbirds” traveling to south Texas for the winter. They sold their mobile home and moved into a house in Springfield after their health started to decline. George spent the last couple of years at Glendale Manor in Springfield.

One of his grandkids said this about George. “They (George and Geraldine) still acted like two teenagers in love. The memories that flood back today...the fun times we had climbing up in the semi-truck they drove all over the country, hiding with a gorilla mask to jump out and scare us to death, the smell of his pipe and aftershave, the funny things he would say when you least expected it and so many more. So thankful for all these memories we made over the years.” George was liked and loved by all.

George passed away Sunday, December 6, 2020 in the Cox South Hospital of Springfield, Missouri having attained the age of 88 years.

George leaves to cherish his memory, his wife: Geraldine Gray of the home; his children: Virginia Gray of Colorado Springs, CO, Patsy Johnson of Jerald, MO, James Massey and wife, Kathy, of St. Louis, MO, Dean Gray of Denver, CO, Pat Hart of Springfield, MO, Sharon Bowers and husband Rockie of Lancaster, SC, Jim Miller and wife, Renee, of Joplin, MO and Randy Miller and wife, Gloria, of Haysville, KS; son-in-law: Jeff Davis of Springfield, MO; daughter-in-law: Shelia Miller of Springfield, MO; many grandkids, great grandkids, nieces, and nephews.

In addition to his parents, George was preceded in death by two sisters: Nettie Pearl Fuentus of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Irene Jennings of Lebanon, Missouri; and two children: Bob Miller and Janet Davis.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, December 14, 2020 in the

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert. Burial will follow in the Waynesville Memorial Park Cemetery of Waynesville, MO.

Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. until time of service at 1:00 p.m. Monday, December 14, 2020 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

The family is asking that those who attend the service and visitation, to please wear a face mask and practice social distancing.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of George Gray and may be left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Cemetery Details

Waynesville Memorial Park

Waynesville, MO 65583

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 12:00 PM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

Funeral Service

DEC 14. 1:00 PM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

Tribute Wall



“ George Ray Gray

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *It takes a very special person to live a life that makes such an impression on those that knew them. And then to have that life described in such a loving way that a complete stranger feels a sense of loss at their passing . I can only begin to imagine how great that feeling is for all of you that knew and loved him. My most sincere apologies.*

Chris Carroll - December 14, 2020 at 01:42 AM



“ *I will forever remember your famous double back flip. Love you Grandpa ❤️*

Jennifer (Johnson) Hettich - December 13, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ *It was a privilege and an honor to take care of this wonderful man. I am so pleased to read about his wonderful life and how much he was loved. He was also loved by all of us at the clinic. Prayers and hugs to your family. Nurse Cindy*

Cindy Coffman - December 12, 2020 at 07:49 PM



“ *Love u grandpa rest n peace hug mommy and Uncle Bob for me*

Dawn Davis - December 11, 2020 at 07:32 PM

DG

“ Love you, Dad.



Dean Gray - December 11, 2020 at 03:26 PM

PJ

“ Love you DAD



Patsy Johnson - December 11, 2020 at 03:26 PM

SS

“ *Though words, however gentle, cannot take your loss away, still may this message sent in sympathy help comfort you today. We pray that in this difficult time, God gives you the strength and courage to bear the loss of George Ray Gray. With deepest sympathy, all of us here at Mercy are keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. May the peace which comes from the memories of love share comfort to you now and in the days ahead.*

Scott Sell - December 11, 2020 at 10:28 AM

PJ

“ *Patsy Johnson lit a candle in memory of George Ray Gray*



Patsy Johnson - December 11, 2020 at 09:49 AM

PG

“ *Pulaski County Camp Gideons sent a virtual gift in memory of George Ray Gray*



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - December 11, 2020 at 09:07 AM

PJ

*I will miss my Dad
I love you 💔*

Patsy Johnson - December 11, 2020 at 09:25 AM

MA

I will always love you RIP.

Mary Anthony - December 13, 2020 at 09:14 AM