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Jerry Story Obituary

Jerry Lee Story, age 65 of Fairfield, passed away Saturday, December 19, 2020, at the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinic.

Open visitation will be 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Sunday, December 27, 2020 at Behner Funeral Home. Family will not be present.

Graveside service will be 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 28, 2020, at Laux Park Family Cemetery, 1185-320th Street, Brighton, Iowa 52540. Please follow the COVID guidelines of wearing masks and social distancing.

In – lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Hospital or Ronald McDonald House. Cards and memorials may be sent to Kristy Story, 2270 Marigold Blvd., Fairfield, Iowa 52556.

Jerry was born June 21, 1955, to Kenneth and Marian (Hammond) Story in Keokuk, IA. He married Kristine Sue Laux on July 25, 1976 in Fairfield, Iowa.

Jerry graduated from Fairfield High School Class of 1973. He was an International Square Dance caller and local business owner. Jerry enjoyed shooting pool and going to the gun range. He was a Green Bay Packers fan and enjoyed watching FOX news.

Jerry used his love of music to honor the Lord by making a Gospel CD "Wings of a Dove". Jerry was known for his sense of humor and his story telling. What he loved most was spending time with his kids and grandkids.

He will be missed by his wife, Kristy of Fairfield; his two sons, Joshua (Esther) Story of Navarre, FL and Jacob (Som) Story of Fairfield; his grandsons, Seth, Luke, and Nathan Story; his two sisters, Jeanie Ludeking of Knoxville, TN and Jane (John) Kurt of Minnesota; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth and Marian.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at www.behnerfh.com.

Cards may be sent to the family at 2270 Marigold Blvd., Fairfield, IA 52556.

John Peck passed away November 12, 2020, from COVID. He was in and out of the hospital after he fell and broke his hip back in April. While at Carpenter's for rehabilitation, he developed pneumonia. Somewhere along the line, he caught the COVID virus. He passed away two days after he tested positive.

Born in the Oklahoma City area on November 3, 1926, John Peck was the 4th of 5 children born to Roy & Sarah Peck. Roy died when John was 3 years old. He was raised by his mother on her family's farm. They were members of the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma. John was very proud of his Cherokee heritage. John's grandfather was good friends with Will Rogers who did work on their farm as a boy.

John's mother eventually remarried and when john was approximately 16 years old, the family picked up and moved to California. During World War II, while John was still in high school, he studied radio and drafting and worked full time at the naval shipyards.

After high school graduation, John joined the Army. During boot camp, he took a piece of shrapnel so he had to stay back while the rest of his regiment was shipped off to Europe. That regiment ended up fighting the Battle of the Bulge. John was eventually shipped to Korea just as WWII was ending, and spent the rest of his Army years in Asia as a radio man re-wiring the hospitals abandoned by the Chinese.

Upon returning home, he went to college on the GI Bill. John finished his biology degree at the University of California San Luis Obispo. While there he me and eventually married Dolores Keifer. They had three children. He has one granddaughter.

John worked as a biological and chemical engineer for Shell Development in California and Bethlehem Steel in Maryland. John and Dolores retired and moved to Florida where they lived in the Sandpiper Community and were very active heading up the social committee for a time and participating on the tennis and bowling teams.

John moved to Arbor Oaks in July of 2019.

John and Dolores were members of Buttons & Bows. They danced squares and rounds.

If you would like to send a card, the mailing address is Dee Peck, 5823 Cockatiel Court, Lakeland, Florida 33809.

William "Bill" Earl Reid, 77, of Melbourne, FL, passed away on November 28, 2020 at UF Shands Hospital, Gainesville FL.

Bill was born in McAndrew, KY, to William H. and Gusta Farley Reid, Jr. on November 25, 1943. His family moved to Fort Pierce, FL in 1956. Bill went to Dan McCarty High School and graduated in 1963. After graduation Bill served in the U.S. Army for three years which included an eighteen month tour in Germany. After being honorably discharged from the Army he returned home to work at Piper Aircraft in Vero Beach FL for two years and Grumman Aerospace Corporation for two years. He then hired on with AT&T where he spent the next 33 plus years of his working career. During his career with the telephone company he witnessed many advances in technology and all of the name changes: Bellsouth to -Southern Bell and back to AT&T at the time of his retirement.

Bill married Linda Anderson on October 22, 1967; they were blessed to have 53 years together. They moved to Brevard County in 2005 in order to be near their granddaughter.

He had a variety of interests and hobbies including: bowling, fishing, reading, magic, as well as square and round dancing. He also enjoyed many types of music, movies and live theater (especially if his granddaughter was in the production).

Bill had numerous accomplishments. He was a Past Master of Vero Beach Masonic Lodge #250. Assistant Scout Leader of Troup 479, St Lucie County, Certified Scuba Diver, and worked with other telecommunication retires on the Talking Book Program refurbishing machines for the blind. He served on the Audio Video Team of First Baptist Church Cocoa, as a delegate on the Florida Federation of Square and Round Dance, as Vice President of the Central Florida Square Dance Association and President of Space Trackers Square Dance Club.

Bill loved the Lord, his country, his family and friends. His gentle smile and friendly personality drew people of all ages to him. He will be missed by his family and anyone considering him a friend. Bill is survived by his wife Linda Reid, Melbourne, son Ryan C. (Diana) Reid, Cocoa, daughter Sheila E. Reid, Melbourne, granddaughter Shannon A. Reid, Cocoa, sister Carol (Alan) Rhodes, Ft. Pierce, sister-in-law Leta (Lee) Jenkins, Ft Pierce, nieces Taylor Jenkins, Ft. Pierce, Sherry (Aaron) Ledlow Gulf Hammock, nephews Gary (Cheri) Rhodes, Ft. Pierce, Henry Rhodes, Ft Pierce, and other loving relatives.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to First Baptist Church, 750 Brevard Avenue, Cocoa, FL 32922, UF Foundation (Lung Transplant Research-008263) PO Box 1000243, Gainesville, FL 32604-9901 or to a charity of your choice.

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