

Randall Lee Kemple

Randall Lee Kemple, age 66 years, of Jefferson City, MO passed away Friday, October 25, 2019 at SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

Randy was born on December 8, 1952 in Marshall, MO a son of Floyd Glenn and Mildred Ann (Maasen) Kemple. He was married on December 28, 1991 at Faith Lutheran Church in Jefferson City, MO to Stephanie L. Klatt.

Randy attended Jefferson City High School until he began his service to our country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War in Company C 5th Battalion 2nd Brigade. He received special operations training in Fort Polk, LA, light artillery training in Fort Sill, OK and heavy artillery training in Fort Hood, TX. He was honorably discharged as a Sergeant and continued to serve in the United States Army Reserve for another six years.

He furthered his education after his military experience by getting his certification to work on diesel engines in Colorado and later received his associate's degree in welding from Linn State Technical College. Randy was extremely talented at fixing anything put in front of him.

Randy was employed for over 20 years with Mid-West Block and Brick as the manager of their Mid-America Insulation Department. He later worked as a contract manager with the Missouri Department of Conservation and was currently working at Environmental Engineering.

He loved being outdoors and tried to spend as much time as possible fishing and hunting. Randy developed those passions at an early age, growing up fishing on the Osage River. His two favorite fishing trips were to Canada with his father-in-law and the boys. He also was known around town for his barbeque skills and never turned down a chance to feed others. Randy was happy to volunteer his talents and time barbequing for community events to help raise money and awareness for the United Way through Heisinger Bluffs.

More than anything, Randy was a simple man and will be remembered for being the best husband, father, and grandpa. He was always there to take them to their favorite restaurant, attend his son's Helias football games, love on his grandchildren, and head to the family farm for deer camp with them. He truly was happiest when supporting his family in their daily lives.

Survivors include: his wife, Stephanie Kemple; three children, Sheila Berhorst (husband Bill) of Jefferson City, MO, Brandi "Nicki" Kemple of Jefferson City, MO and Jordan Kemple of Springfield, MO; two grandchildren, Conner and Sophia Berhorst; three siblings, Alan Kemple (wife Eileen) of Jefferson City, MO, Russell Kemple of Jefferson City, MO and Glenda Sundermeyer (husband Rick) of New Bloomfield, MO; his in-laws, Kermit and Jean Klatt of Jefferson City, MO; three brothers-in-law, Ken Klatt (wife Jeanne), Randy Klatt (wife Janet), and Tim Klatt (wife Rebecca); his brother-in-law and best friend, Doug Schaefer; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Mildred Kemple.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 30, 2019 in the Freeman Chapel with Chaplain Jim Mueller officiating. Graveside services and interment with military honors will be held at Resurrection Cemetery

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