



## Jerry Wayne Grim

December 21, 1945 - May 3, 2022

Jerry Wayne Grim, 76, of Cape Girardeau died Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at his home.

He was born December 21, 1945 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri to Morton W. and Betty Jo Tanner Grim.

He and Joann "Jody" Grim were married January 2, 1988 in Cape Girardeau. She preceded him in death September 2, 2020.

Jerry served in the Army during the Vietnam War from 1964 to 1967.

He graduated from high school in San Diego and received a bachelors degree from Southeast Missouri State University.

His teaching career began at Puxico High School. He then taught art and civics at Notre Dame High School. He also served as a coach in a number of sports, including freshmen boys basketball, girls basketball, girls softball and golf. His girl's basketball teams made several state appearances and won the state championship in 2002; and the golf team also made it to state. Jerry received Coach of the Year twice for girls basketball and was named to the Missouri State Basketball Hall of Fame. He was also named to both the Athletic and PAVA Halls of Fame at Notre Dame Regional High School.

He was a member of St. Mary Cathedral and Knights of Columbus Council 1111.

Survivors include four children, Steve (Renee) Grim of Sedgewickville, Erin (Shannon Friedrich) Grim of Jackson, Jeff (Autumn) Grim of Jackson, and Brian (Sierra Shultz) Grim of Cape Girardeau; six grandchildren, Chelsey Welker, Brendan Wilkens, Dylan W. Grim, Addie Grim, Dylan M. Grim, and Carleigh Grim; sister, Sandy Boulanger of Las Vegas, Nevada; brother, Jon (Teraca) Grim of Frisco, Texas; and sister-in-law, Cindy Grim of Denver, Colorado.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and brother, Benji Grim.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, May 6, 2022 at Notre Dame Regional High School. Parish prayers will be at 7:00 pm with Knights of Columbus Rosary immediately following.

Funeral Mass will be 10:00 am Saturday, May 7, 2022 at St. Mary Cathedral in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Allan Saunders officiating.

Interment will be at St. Mary Cemetery in Cape Girardeau with military rites by Missouri Honors Team.

Memorial contributions may be given to Notre Dame Regional High School, St. Mary's Cathedral, or St. Ambrose Church.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

1101 Perry Avenue  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Notre Dame Regional High School  
265 Notre Dame Drive  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Parish Prayers

MAY 6. 7:00 PM (CT)

Notre Dame Regional High School  
265 Notre Dame Drive  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Funeral Mass

MAY 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Cathedral  
615 William St.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703



# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Jerry Waddle

*Being a school administrator in three different area school districts, I knew Jerry Grimm mostly through his coaching days and was always impressed with the teams he put on the field and court and the way he conducted himself.*

*I became more closely acquainted with him on the Jaycee Golf course after I moved to Cape and he retired from Notre Dame. The first round of golf I played with Jerry he got a hole in one on hole 12. I sure enjoyed playing golf with him and our many conversations. I can tell you one thing for sure, he loved Notre Dame. I'm glad to call him a friend. RIP Jerry.*

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**Jerry Waddle** - May 06, 2022 at 11:00 PM

JS

“ *I'm so sad to hear about the passing of Mr. Jerry Grimm. Between my sisters and I, we shared a solid decade of art education with Jerry. I started with him as a freshman in 2006 and always looked forward to his unique project assignments and kind, hands on approach to helping students find their own voice through creative work. I couldn't keep track of how many times I laughed hearing from his desk arbitrarily calling out, "Someone out there bein' a squirrel?!" His sense of humour, big heart, and legacy in Cape Girardeau won't soon be forgotten. Sending love to the Grimm family - rest in peace Mr. Grimm.*

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**Jacob Seyer** - May 06, 2022 at 02:06 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Grim.*



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May 06, 2022 at 08:53 AM



“ *Jerry is a legend for Norte Dame. I loved working with him and all of his famous sayings. He cared for every student as though they were his own. He was such a blessing to me I could count on him for anything. He made Norte Dame special and will live on forever  
Bless you Grimie  
Live  
Brother David*

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**Brother David** - May 05, 2022 at 07:11 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Grim.*



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May 05, 2022 at 10:14 AM

DW

“ You will be missed by so many, Coach Grim. You were a big part of the ND family for so many years and you touched a lot of lives. I got to hang out in the coaches' office at the old ND a lot as a kid, and to this day I still remember a sign that you had hanging over your desk, "Don't sweat the small stuff". I think about that sign a lot as an adult and its always a great reminder in the fast-paced and stressful lives many of us have. Thank you for this reminder and may you rest in peace.

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**Danny Wittenborn** - May 05, 2022 at 09:59 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Grim.



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May 05, 2022 at 09:46 AM

MV

“ My condolences go out to his family. Heaven has gained a great man. His passing was way too soon. So thankful that he will live on in his children. RIP Coach Grim - you will be missed.

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**Mary Vickery** - May 05, 2022 at 08:21 AM

MW

“ I am so sorry to hear this. Coach Grim was one of my favorite teachers at Notre Dame. I always felt like his classroom was a safe space and I'll always wonder what that song was that he would whistle during class! My condolences to his family and loved ones.

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**Madeline Story Winkeler** - May 05, 2022 at 07:31 AM

CD

“ I was not in any of Mr. Grim’s classes, but he always made it a point to see how all of the students at ND were doing. He genuinely cared for everyone at ND and it showed. I just remember hearing his all to familiar voice yelling “DAYLIGHT!!” when he chaperoned the HS dances when students were dancing too close during slow songs. Notre Dame, Cape Girardeau and SE Missouri has lost a great man and our condolences go out to his family.

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Chris Drury - May 05, 2022 at 12:25 AM

TB

“ I was in Mr. Grim’s homeroom and every day we left, he would say, “Have fun, stay out of trouble, and be kind to the old people.” It was always funny, and I sometimes say it to my own students and remember him. Rest In Peace, Mr. Grim.

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Tracy Fisher Bouslog - May 04, 2022 at 10:18 PM

MC

“ First of all, I'd like to pay my most sincere condolences to his friends and family. I only had Mr. Grim as I always referred to him by for one year. He always seemed very patient, and easy going. I had him for my last class of the day. It was during the spring that I was asked to help work on a back drop for the play "Anie get your gun" I believe. I didn't know what I was doing ,so I said "sure". Mr. Grim had me work on a sheet I think it was for the play. When I was done I thought it looked awful, but he seemed to approve of and it was used during the play to my surprise. Thank you Mr. Grim for touching my life , and that of many others. Requiem im Pacem.🙏

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Marc Cano - May 04, 2022 at 08:55 PM

KR

“ I was also student of Mr. Grim. He lived a life of service and was a wonderful teacher. He will be remembered with high regard. A life well lived. May he rest in peace.

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**Kelli (Canfield) Riner** - May 04, 2022 at 05:36 PM

MB

“ I was an art student of Mr. Grim his first year at ND. Over the years I have often repeated a lesson I received from him of: "don't sweat the small stuff". He will be greatly missed. Mary Eftink Boner

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**Mary Boner** - May 04, 2022 at 05:29 PM