



Jerry "Jeff" Vandeven

December 9, 2014

Jerry (Jeff) Vandeven, 85, a resident of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, passed away December 9, 2014 at Saint Francis Medical Center from complications of open heart surgery. He was born February 26, 1929 in Cape Girardeau, the son of Edwin and Mona (Shanks) Vandeven. Jerry and Charlene Bertrand were married February 6, 1951 at Fornfelt, Missouri. Jerry served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He graduated from SEMO with a Bachelor's Degree in Earth Sciences. Jerry retired from the Martin Marietta Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Paducah, after 38 years of service. He was an avid golfer and known by his golfing buddies as "Hookster". He enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Charlene Vandeven of Cape Girardeau; daughters, Jan (Doug) Harrall of Foley, Alabama, Torie Vandeven of Denver, Colorado and Lisa (David) Davis of Royal Palm Beach, Florida; brother, Gene (Carolyn) Vandeven of Bella Vista, Arkansas; sister, Vivian Lacy of Arlington, Vermont; grandchildren, Eric (Kaley) Dew of Tulsa, Oklahoma and Leah Davis of Sugarland, Texas; great-grandson, Dylan Joseph Dew of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ed and Robert Vandeven; sister, Mary Jane Koch. There will be no services. Memorial contributions in Jerry's name may be made to the Cape Girardeau Senior Center, 921 N. Clark, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

Tribute Wall

LK

“ We loved Mr. Jerry. He was our neighbor for 6 years. Always friendly and very good to our kids. He will be missed. Lou and Tara Kolb

Lou and Tara Kolb - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VY

“ Charlene and your family, I am so sorry to learn of Jeff's death. About two years after I hired into the Metallurgical Engineering & Inspection Department, Jeff was hired. The last time I saw him was at Jake Piercy's funeral in 2012.

Velva Blayney Yeomans - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jan, I am so sorry for your loss. May you find comfort at this time. Love Always, Janis

Janis Morris - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Bob and I just saw today the obituary notice in the cape news via internet that your dad has passed. My heart sunk when I head the news. Your dad was such a sweet and caring person. I worked with Jeff in the Metrology Lab in 1972-74. I was expecting Jeremy in `74 and your dad was like a expecting grandparent. I really loved your dad and we were close. I lost my dad when I was 19 and Jeff always treated me as a daughter. He talked of you (Jan) way before I ever met you. I was his "Janny-Poo". He said you and I were the same age and had the same names (Jan & Janet). I am sorry for your loss. Jeff will be missed by everyone one. I am so heart broke to hear when someone from the generation before us has passed on. I saw where Betty Lester passed in November of this year. My thoughts are with you and your family. Janet Matlock

Janet R. Matlock - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM