



Jerry Charles Mann

February 21, 1944 - April 12, 2024

Jerry Charles Mann, 80, of McClure, Illinois died Friday, April 12, 2024 at Mercy Hospital Southeast in Cape Girardeau, MO.

He was born February 21, 1944 in Bell City, MO to Charles H. and Clodina Mary (Pruitt) Mann.

Jerry joined the Army in July 1961, right after high school in Fort Hood Texas. Jerry was sent to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo for basic training and supply school training. In January 1962, Jerry was stationed in Thule, Greenland for 1 year. Jerry stepped off the plane into Greenland with the temperature being -46 degrees and in his own words, "He still hasn't warmed up." While in Thule, Greenland, Jerry was a supply clerk and he was a supply sergeant when he returned back to Fort Leonard Wood. Again, "he still hasn't ever warmed up."

While still serving in the Army, Jerry married Ruth Ann Edwards in June 1963 and left the Army in 1964. After serving in the Army, Jerry worked as a route salesman for a couple of different companies, before enrolling in the Illinois State Police Academy. Jerry joined the Illinois State Police in 1968 and retired as sergeant in 1993, at the age of 47 years old.

Jerry spent most of his retired time at Mann Auto Body in McClure, IL., owned by his son Scott, building his own street rods. Jerry built 6 beautiful street

rods. Jerry & Ruth entered several local and out of state car shows throughout the years & also went to several cruise in's, receiving many awards, trophies, and compliments on his cars. Jerry was also a member of the River City Rodder's Car Club, which the Veterans Home has recently received a donation from.

Survivors include son, Scott (Connie) Mann of Cape Girardeau, MO; daughter, Michelle (Shawn) Hinkle of Cape Girardeau, MO; grandchild, Kylie "Sugar" Hinkle of Cape Girardeau, MO; two step grandchildren, Jill (Nic) Labbee of House Springs, MO, Jeremy (Kara) Franklin of Cape Girardeau, MO; four great-step-grandchildren, Emma and Lucas Labbee of House Springs, MO, Brayden and Eli Franklin of Cape Girardeau, MO, niece, Lisa Hammond; two nephews, Todd Shirley, Terry Shirley; numerous other nieces and nephews; three brothers-in-law, Roger (Sandy) Edwards of Dexter, MO, Oscar (Vicki) Talmage of Dexter, MO, Johnnie Shirley of Jackson, MO.

He was preceded in death by wife and his parents; sister, Brenda Shirley; sister-in-law, Marilyn (Wayne) Cagle; father and mother in-law, Lloyd and Opal Edwards.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 am Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Donny Ford officiating.

Burial will follow at Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, MO.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association or St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

17357 Stars & Stripes Way
Bloomfield, MO 63825

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Funeral Service

APR 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Committal Service

APR 17. 12:00 PM.

Missouri Veterans Cemetery Bloomfield
Bloomfield, MO

Tribute Wall

KM

“ *Daddy (Naamon Eaker) and I are so very sorry for your loss. Jerry and his family were always so kind and caring while Jerry and Naamon were roommates at the MO Veterans Home. They shared a great pride for their time in Law Enforcement and military service. Our prayers go up for the family and friends.*

Kimi Moore - April 18, 2024 at 10:52 AM

LD

“ *Love, Frank and Diane purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Jerry Charles Mann.*



Love, Frank and Diane - April 16, 2024 at 07:21 AM

KW

“ *So very sorry for your loss. Jerry was a super nice guy. I worked with him for many years at 13A/D-22 and ran into him occasionally after retirement. He even repaired a car for me. Sorry I won't be able to make it to the funeral home but know that my thoughts and prayers are with the family. Kathy Walsh*

Kathy Walsh - April 13, 2024 at 09:51 PM

TC

“ *Mike and I are sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. Lora Lee spoke often of him. She left us March 20th. His presence is gone, but his memories will live on through your hearts and minds.*

Tina Cox - April 13, 2024 at 10:32 AM

DB

“ Michele I'm sorry for the loss of your dad. He was a good man. Love you Deanna Matlock

Deanna Baine - April 13, 2024 at 09:30 AM