



## Larry Allen Lusk

March 26, 1946 - April 16, 2017

Larry Allen Lusk, LCDR USN Ret., 71, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Sunday, April 16, 2017 at the family farm in Fayette, Missouri.

He was born March 26, 1946 in Pineville, Missouri to Robert Allen and Edith Alleen Dwight Lusk.

He and Carolyn Jeanette Maevers were married July 27, 1968 at Centenary United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau.

Larry graduated from Cape Central High School in 1964 where he lettered in football, track and basketball. He was a boy scout, took piano lessons, was in the Civil Air Patrol and sang in the choir.

He graduated from Southeast Missouri State University in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science in Physics. He was a letterman on the swim team, was president of the Flying Indians (flying club), and a member of the SEMO Grotto Club.

Larry received a commission to the United States Navy on January 1, 1969. He was awarded the Naval Aviator Warfare Qualification and completed Advanced Flight Training. The majority of his career was spent flying the P-3 Orion on antisubmarine and maritime patrol during the Cold War. He served a

tour as flight instructor at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi. He concluded his 20-year career at Defense Mapping Agency in St. Louis serving as the Naval Liaison Officer, retiring with the rank of Lieutenant Commander on July 1, 1989. He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, Expert Shot (Pistol), Air Medal, and Joint Meritorious Service Medal. During his career Larry visited over 25 countries.

After retirement he lived on the family farm in Fayette where he was a member of the Lions Club, Farm Bureau, and Fayette City Council.

He returned to Cape Girardeau in 2001. He was a lifelong member of Centenary United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau, and attended Sharon Bible Church and First Baptist (choir member) while living in Fayette.

His interests included caving, canoeing, floating, boating, working on the family farm, helping anyone and everyone (especially family) and had much affection for the internal combustion engine.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Carolyn Lusk of Cape Girardeau; three daughters, Sara (John) Moll of Branson, Missouri, Heather (Dustin) Crass of Cape Girardeau, Amber (Isaac) Venable of Jackson, Missouri; one sister, Linda Held of Columbia, Missouri; one brother, Lonnie (Debbie) Lusk of Cape Girardeau; eight grandchildren, Ella, Daniel and Tony Moll, Ashley and Hailey Crass and Elias, Grace and Aiden Kyle.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends may call 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, April 21, 2017 at Centenary United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the church with the Rev. David Conley officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau with full military rites by Missouri Honors Team.

Memorial contributions may be given to Centenary United Methodist Church, 300 N. Ellis St., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1909  
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**APR 21.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Centenary United Methodist Church  
300 N Ellis St  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701-5524  
(573) 334-2869

## Service

**APR 22.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Centenary United Methodist Church  
300 N Ellis St  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701-5524  
(573) 334-2869

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ Carol I just got of Barnes Hospital after four weeks of treatment for Left sided Heart Failure; so I only learned of Larry's passing a day ago. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Dana Lee Sander AKA Mrs. Jon Sander

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**Dana Lee Sander** - April 25, 2017 at 08:34 PM

BS

“ My condolences to the Lusk Family. I remember Larry as a fine respected talented teammate on the 1961 Central Football team as well as a member of Centenary Church. He was a most pleasant school mate always with a hello.

*Again I am sorry for your loss.*

*Most respectfully*

*Bill Stone*

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**Bill Stone** - April 24, 2017 at 06:54 PM

JH

“ Lonnie,  
Sorry to hear about the loss of your brother. Please accept my deepest sympathy to you and all of your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

*God bless you with warm wonderful memories to comfort you.*

*Jeffry Lynne Hawk*

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**Jeffry Lynne Hawk** - April 23, 2017 at 05:32 PM

LC

“ *Lt Col Felicia Burks & MSgt Paul Carter purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Larry Allen Lusk.*



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**Lt Col Felicia Burks & MSgt Paul Carter** - April 21, 2017 at 09:58 PM

VA

“ *I'm sorry I won't be able to attend the funeral, but my thoughts and prayers are with the family. Larry was a special person. I didn't see him very often, but it makes me sad to think that he is no longer in this world.*

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**Virginia Allen** - April 21, 2017 at 10:35 AM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Larry Allen Lusk.*



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April 21, 2017 at 09:54 AM

JK

“ *I was in the CAP with Larry .God Bless him Jim ( RED ) Kuehn*

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**Jim Kuehn** - April 20, 2017 at 07:18 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Larry Allen Lusk.*



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April 20, 2017 at 12:31 PM



“ *The Goforths purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Larry Allen Lusk.*



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**The Goforths** - April 20, 2017 at 11:43 AM



“ *We always enjoyed spending time with "Grandpa Larry" at our scouting events (Cub scouts and Boy Scouts). He was always ready to help out with whatever was needed, and had such wonderful stories to share with the boys. He was a wonderful example of the kind of adult that they could strive to become. He's earned his reward, but will be missed greatly on this earth. Our prayers for peace will be with his family.*

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**Mindy Sinning** - April 20, 2017 at 10:22 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Larry Allen Lusk.*



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April 19, 2017 at 11:36 AM