



Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse

December 19, 1935 - February 11, 2025

A Celebration of Life service for Gerald Lee Knouse, 89, of Covington will be on Saturday, February 15, 2025, at the First Baptist Church in Covington at 2:00pm. Burial will be at Covington Cemetery. Arrangements are made by Anderson Burris Home & Crematory.

Jerry was born on December 19, 1935, in Iroquois, South Dakota to Lena (Adamson) and Harry Knouse and passed away surrounded by his family on February 11, 2025, in Enid.

Jerry joined the military in 1953, serving 20 years. During that time, he met the love of his life Evelyn "Evie" Gust and they married in Salina, Kansas on September 7, 1957. They raised 3 sons, Wendell, Gary and Gene. Living the military life, they moved and traveled all over, settling their family in Covington once he retired from the military. Jerry started civilian work at Vance Air Force Base as an aircraft mechanic in 1974 and retired in 1996. He was a part of the American Legion Post 190 and the Lions Club in Covington. Jerry enjoyed watching OU Sooners sports, eating at McDonalds, loved attending grandchildren's extra curricular activities, woodworking, riding Harley- Davidson motorcycles, camping, serving his community and always had a good story to tell.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Evie; sons, Wendell and wife Debbie, Gary and fiancé Shirley, and Gene and wife Denise; 12 grandchildren ; 17 great grandchildren; and 2 great great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Lena and Harry Knouse; brothers Bob, Dean, Lyle and Lloyd; his sisters Carol and June and his long time friends "Cookie" and Larry Timm.

Memorials are encouraged to the American Legion Post 190.

Cemetery Details

Covington Cemetery

Covington, OK

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Covington
215 Jefferson Street
Covington, OK 73730

Tribute Wall

RF

“ So many memories of working with Gerald. Prayers to the family.

Roger & Jana Freeman - February 14, 2025 at 01:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.

February 14, 2025 at 12:10 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.



February 14, 2025 at 12:10 PM

BW

“ Ben, Hillary, & Taryn Wiedmann purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.



Ben, Hillary, & Taryn Wiedmann - February 14, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.



February 14, 2025 at 09:50 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.*



February 13, 2025 at 05:22 PM

JD

“ *Junior & Priss Drake purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.*



Junior & Priss Drake - February 13, 2025 at 05:10 PM

JG

“ *My earliest memories of Jerry Knouse began back in the late 70s when I was stationed at Vance on active duty. My partner, Ed "Stump" Clark, and I would regularly visit the Egress Shop to evaluate their work for the AF. Stump was a dedicated Georgia fan and didn't like OU's football team, at all. He would constantly bet with Jerry and Cookie against OU. Jerry and Cookie just loved taking his money, and always welcomed Stump back to the shop, laughing like two hyenas as they expertly fleeced him and sent him out the door. I know two of Jerry's sons, Gary and Wendell, and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with them over the years. I readily offer my condolences, and my heart goes out to the entire Knouse family.*
Most respectfully, Jerry Gailey.

Jerry Gailey - February 13, 2025 at 12:49 PM

MK

“ *Jerry was always very supportive of me when I took over the Legion command. He grumped about everything, but in the best of ways. I enjoyed his sense of humor! He will truly be leaving a hole not easily filled in our post.*

Melanie Kerr - February 13, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Lee Knouse.



February 13, 2025 at 11:33 AM

RZ

“ So sorry to hear of your lose Jerry will be missed , I remember working with Jerry and his love for cars and bikes. Richard and Shirley Zawila

Richard Zawila - February 13, 2025 at 09:34 AM

MG

“ This is Monica Gamber, Shirley Knouses mother. I met Gerald and Evie and other Okies several times over the years and always enjoyed them. I am sorry for your loss, he will be missed.

Monica Gamber - February 12, 2025 at 10:54 PM

LG

“ Evie, Wendell, Gary, Gene and families.
So sorry to hear of Gerald's passing. He was such an influence on me when I was young. So many good memories. It was a day to remember
When I could visit with him later in life he had a way of bringing a smile to my face. A great man whom I was blessed to have had as an uncle.

Larry Gildemaster - February 12, 2025 at 09:42 PM

RK

“ I have so many great memories with all my OK family and Gerald was all was in them! He was amazing and will be so missed! - Rachel Knouse Johnson

Rachel KnouseJohnson - February 12, 2025 at 07:39 PM

PT

It would be hard to share just one memory of Jerry, I have so many! We shared many years of friendship, going to Nashville several times to see Fan Fair and going to Opry Land Park, the Opry Land Hotel and the Grand Ole Opry, going to Twitty City and many trips to Branson. I can't leave out "the anywhere within driving distance" Conway Twitty Concerts and then many, many times of just being together and playing Pinochle. He was kind, he was funny and he would do anything to help you. He was a wonderful friend to Larry and to me. I will miss him.

Pat Timm - February 14, 2025 at 11:31 AM