



Jerry J. McCollough

April 29, 1931 - September 9, 2016

Jerry J. McCollough, 85, Kearney, died September 9, 2016 at St. John's Good Samaritan Center in Kearney. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church with Pastor Duane Duley and Dustin Lappe officiating and burial at Kearney Cemetery. Military rites will be provided by the Kearney American Legion Post #52, Kearney V.F.W. Post #759, and the U.S. Navy Funeral Honors Team. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services. Memorials are suggested to Holy Cross Lutheran Church or AseraCare Hospice. Jerry was born the only son on April 29, 1931 on a farm south of Bennington, Kansas to Arthur "Pat" and Winnie (Davis) McCollough. Jerry graduated high school from Salina, Kansas in 1948 and then attended Kansas Wesleyan University. He then enlisted in the Navy and served during the Korean Conflict aboard the U.S.S. Jackson. After the service, Jerry earned his Master of Arts Degree at Fort Hayes State University in Kansas. Jerry spent many year as an educator in Wilson, Kansas, Russell, Kansas, and Durango Colorado. Jerry then received his doctorate degree at the University of Northern Colorado. He joined the faculty at Kearney State College where he worked for 30 years as a supervisor of student teaching until he retired in the spring of 1998. Jerry married Delores Lee in Minneapolis, Kansas in 1951. To the marriage three sons were born. Their youngest son Jeffery passed away in 1966. Deloris passed away in 1969. Jerry then married Margaret Anderson on

July 19, 1970 in Shickley, Nebraska. To this marriage, two additional sons were born. Jerry and Margaret are the owners of Country Care Kennels in Kearney. Jerry was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church and the Archway Corvette Club. He loved spending time with family, friends and his grandchildren. Jerry loved doing outdoor activities and working around the acreage. Weekend activities involved camping, chopping firewood with his sons, and working with the alpacas, horse and kennel. You could always find him talking to some animal. Jerry loved officiating wrestling matches all over the state and in later years attending them. In 1992, he was the first wrestling official to be inducted into the Nebraska Athletic Hall of Fame. He was also an avid supporter of the UNK Loper athletics particularly, volleyball. Jerry also loved his coffee clubs with colleagues and friends. Jerry is survived by his wife Margaret of Kearney; sons Monty, Greg and wife Peg, Michael and wife Lori, Grant and wife Marisa, all of Kearney; grandchildren Kylee and Lucee McCollough, Jennifer Zbasnik and her husband Nick, Jason Vavricek; great grandson Jackson Zbasnik. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, son, and his father-in-law Tyndall Anderson.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **13**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl
2421 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 237-2259
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry J. McCollough*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I was deeply saddened when I heard the news of Jerry's passing. My deepest sympathy to the family. Sending prayers of comfort to you all. I always knew my Colby would be well taken care of when I dropped him off at the kennel. Jerry was always so nice to chat with. Sincerely,
Lisa*

Lisa Horner - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sincere sympathy to you, Margaret and family. What a privilege it is to have known and worked with Jerry through the years. He was always a positive influence and mentor. May God keep his loving arms around you as you move on without him.*

*Sincerely,
Farah*

Farah Buesing - September 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Jerry's death. He was a great guy and will be missed. John*

John H Bancroft - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Margaret so so sorry to hear about Jerry. Prayers to all your family.*

Connie and Terry Viter - September 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM