



Jerry Williams

February 10, 1942 - January 30, 2021

Jerry Williams, 78, of Iowa Falls, passed away Saturday, January 30, 2021 at his home, under the care of Care Initiatives Hospice. Memorial mass will be 10:30 AM Saturday, February 6, 2021 at the St. Mark Catholic Church in Iowa Falls. A private family burial will be held at a later date. Visitation will be from 9:00 AM until service time on Saturday at the church. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorials to the family to be designated to the Lighthouse Center of Hope in Iowa Falls. Woodley Funeral Home, LLC of Iowa Falls is caring for Jerry and his family.

Jerry Russell Williams was born on February 10, 1942 to Russell and Thelma Williams in Hampton, Iowa. Jerry was the oldest of three sons and always lived and farmed the land that he grew up on. He was a father of four children, husband for fifty-six years to wife Patty, a grandfather and great-grand father.

Jerry's passion in life was gardening. He always enjoyed having his hands in the dirt and seeing things grow. When Jerry did things, he did them in a "Big Way". It was like this with everything he did whether gardening or collecting ornaments or collecting toys. Everything was magnified. Anyone who bought his tomatoes or sweet corn could attest to this. He instilled the value of hard work and integrity to his children. His Christian upbringing was very important to him and the family never missed mass on Sundays unless they were sick. The values he was raised with were apparent to others in need. Mom and dad

were constantly taking people into their home. Many stranded motorists, many young adults needing a leg up – even a young lady from Africa who needed a place to live while she had her baby and was attending nursing school. They opened up their home to Rebecca from Germany through the foreign exchange program. Rebecca remains a huge part of the entire family. Foster care was a part of their life for five years and led to the adoption of their son, D.J. Their girls were all raised and gone off to college and they were starting over with a five year old.

Despite his three-year battle with esophageal cancer, Jerry always had a smile or a wise crack to make you laugh. His sense of humor was still with us until the very end. Everyone he met was blessed to know him.

Jerry Williams is survived by his wife, Pat Williams of Iowa Falls, Iowa; his children, Tammy (Chris) Cooper of Iowa Falls, Iowa, Tracy Dennis of Plano, Texas, Tarra (Todd) Richard of Urbandale, Iowa and D.J (Catherine) Williams of Iowa Falls, Iowa; grandchildren: Catie (Josh) Bernal, Erin (Jeremy) Andersen, Maggie and Samantha Cooper, Sydney, Cameron and Paige Richard, Kyler, Valerie and Kael Williams; great-granddaughter, Ariana Andersen; brother, David (Pam) Williams. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Steven Williams.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mark Catholic Church
415 Main St
Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Service

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Tribute Wall

CF

“ *Cindy Wyckoff & family purchased the Wildflower Seeds - Build A Memory Garden for the family of Jerry Williams.*



Cindy Wyckoff & family - February 10, 2021 at 01:58 PM

CW

“ *I just found out today that my godfather, Jerry, passed away at the end of January. He and his family played a big part in my growing up. One of my first jobs was spraying beans during the summer for him. He always had a big hug and a hearty laugh for me. He was a deeply spiritual man, and his unconditional love meant the world to me. I'll miss him dearly, and I hope he's up in heaven having beers out on the porch with my mom and dad, with lots of dogs and cats roaming around, just like out on his farm on those warm summer nights long ago.*



Cathy Wilkie - February 08, 2021 at 06:19 PM

Tarra
Williams
Richard

Thank you Cathy! ❤️🙏

Tarra Williams Richard - February 15, 2021 at 10:19 AM

DL

“ Well this makes me sad my condolences go out to the family I spent a lot of time over there going up with DJ is my best friend for the longest time I still talk to him but Jerry was a hard-working man he may have been kind of strict but you did everything with love tell you that was about a week before dad passed away my dad I was at fairway and I saw him and he didn't recognize me a fourth quarter it's been a long time but I guess I was doing there's just too many stories the one I can remember that I can share is one barns started on fire I was on my way out there in the seven fire departments I'll never forget that night as long as I live I literally had to park on the road and Jerry was on damage control the entire night I'll never forget that you will be miss her rest in peace say hi to my dad

I know I never told you this in person because I didn't know how you would react and I should have but I love you Jerry make sure to grow the best tomatoes you can in heaven cuz I know you'll do better than anybody else

Daniel Larson - February 06, 2021 at 10:06 PM

SF

“ Sidney & Mary Gail Hale, and Sarah's Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jerry Williams.



Sidney & Mary Gail Hale, and Sarah's Family - February 05, 2021 at 03:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry Williams.*



February 05, 2021 at 09:02 AM



“ *I spent many nights at the Williams house growing up. I always loved Mr. Williams smile! So so sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

Jen Bahr - February 04, 2021 at 12:38 PM



Thank you Jenny ❤️

Tarra Williams Richard - February 15, 2021 at 10:18 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss of your loved one. Prayers to you and your family at this sad time.*



Dennis & Roxie Steding - February 03, 2021 at 11:27 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jerry Williams.*



February 03, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Williams.*



February 02, 2021 at 09:10 AM