



Keith O'Neil Gromer

February 12, 1933 - January 4, 2016

Keith O'Neil Gromer, age 82, of Gravois Mills, departed this life on Monday afternoon, January 4, 2016 at the University Hospital in Columbia.

Keith was born on February 12, 1933 in Liberal, Kansas, the son of Darrell Gromer and Fern (King) Gromer.

Keith was a hard worker. He owned and operated G2M Grocery Store in Laurie and in Stover, as well as his much loved Flower Land nursery. He spent much of his time building his business. In his spare time Keith enjoyed cooking, woodworking and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Darrell and Fern Gromer.

Keith is survived by his wife, Kathryn "Janie" Gromer; his two children from a previous marriage, son, Kevin Gromer and daughter, Kari Brady (Chuck - deceased);

four grandchildren, Erica Packard (Shawn), Jennifer Coticelli (Philip), Kara Harrington (Michael) and Joel Brady; along with seven great-grandchildren, Aniston, Micah, Maysun, Charles, Olivia, John and James; brother, Dennis Gromer (Cynthia); sisters, Darlene Snyder (Dave) and Diane Black (Charles); along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of Keith's life will be held at 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie. Visitation will be held from 10:30-11:30 a.m. prior to service time.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
176 Marian Dr.
Gravois Mills, MO 65037
<http://www.stpatrickcatholicchurch.org>

Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

ME

“ Mike & Patty Embry lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Mike & Patty Embry - January 13, 2016 at 02:26 PM

DR

“ Diane Rice lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Diane Rice - January 13, 2016 at 12:32 PM

DA

“ Daughter sent a virtual gift in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Daughter - January 13, 2016 at 11:58 AM

KO

My father would understand why I am not at the service for him today. He understood the difficulties with my disease. Whether I could be there or not, he is with me in the house he grew up in. My tears right now are for not being able to give my stepmother a hug to make sure she knows I love her and that I know how much they loved each other. They were a perfect couple.

Kari Odette - January 13, 2016 at 12:21 PM

AS

“ One of the sweetest men, I have ever known. Beautiful flowers in heaven now 🌹 . Prayers for the family, will always be missed.

andy seyl - January 13, 2016 at 10:43 AM

SF

“ Scotty Fleener lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Scotty Fleener - January 13, 2016 at 09:37 AM

KO

Fly high, Daddy. Right, Scotty?

Kari Odette - January 13, 2016 at 12:25 PM

JH

“ I will never forget Keith, his dry sense of humor and his quiet, calm demeanor. It was a privilege for me to work at Flowerland and to come to know Keith and his family over the years. Jane Hooker

Jane Hooker - January 12, 2016 at 07:38 PM

S(

“ Steve Moore (Coca-Cola) lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Steve Moore (Coca-Cola) - January 12, 2016 at 02:37 PM

SH

“ With loving thoughts and prayers for Keith's wife Janie, son Kevin, daughter Kari, grandchildren, great grandchildren, family, and friends. He will be missed by many.

Sandra Hickman - January 12, 2016 at 02:27 PM

DE

“ I knew Keith mainly as a customer at Midway. So sorry to hear the people I knew then passing on.

David Evans

David M. Evans - January 12, 2016 at 07:57 AM



NC

“ Keith hired me to work in the office 9 1/2 years ago. I will always remember his dry wit, ornery smile and twinkle in his eye. Really missing you!

Nancy Calewell - January 12, 2016 at 05:45 AM



HD

“ Holly Danner lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer

Holly Danner - January 12, 2016 at 05:26 AM





“ *Proud to have been a member of the 1st team that worked at G2M.
Thanks Keith!* ”

Karl Sollmann - January 11, 2016 at 06:47 PM



“ *Barb And Chris Mahring & Family lit a candle
in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer* ”



Barb and Chris Mahring & Family - January 09, 2016 at 01:02 AM



“ *Sandy Farris lit a candle in memory of Keith
O'Neil Gromer* ”



Sandy Farris - January 08, 2016 at 05:21 PM

JY

“ Juse wanted to let everyone know that I am so sorry. I Remember when I first started working at G2M I felt so intimidated my Keith. It was funny Because every time he would come to my line with his groceries I would screw something up! I was so happy when the day finally came that I no longer felt intimidated. That's when I finally felt comfortable enough to joke and laugh with him. And that is where some of my greatest memories of him come from. My heart goes out to his family and my friends who love him so much. We send prayers and love. I'm so sorry Kevin.



Jodi Young - January 08, 2016 at 11:46 AM



“ Holly Black-Millwood lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Holly Black-Millwood - January 08, 2016 at 05:06 AM

CH

“ Craig Halloran lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



craig halloran - January 08, 2016 at 12:13 AM

PW

“ Pam Willsie lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



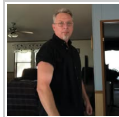
Pam Willsie - January 07, 2016 at 08:56 PM



“ Scott Connor lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Scott Connor - January 07, 2016 at 08:41 PM



I was just sitting here having that glass of Kansas Clear whisky we always talked about having, and I thought back to 2011 when we were watching the building go up during our last expansion at the store. We were standing in the parking lot by FlowerLand watching the steel beams being lowered into place by crane and the workers raising the beams as the building went up. He put his hand on my shoulder and said "Scott..... You're watching my last erection." with that dry sense of wit. Then he winked and flashed that famous grin. I've laughed at that joke for years when thinking back on that day.

I am very grateful for all that the Gromers and G2M have done for myself and my family over all these years.

Fly high now Keith. And God Bless.

Scott Connor - January 07, 2016 at 09:08 PM



“ I am BLESSED to have met him. I will miss our daily talks. I will never forget all the things he taught me.



R - January 07, 2016 at 08:23 PM



“ Susan Emert lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



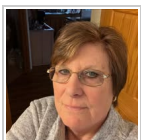
Susan Emert - January 07, 2016 at 08:22 PM



“ Marc And Judi Yakab lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



marc and judi yakab - January 07, 2016 at 11:00 AM



“ Tena Lasley McCormick lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Tena Lasley McCormick - January 07, 2016 at 07:51 AM

JA

“ I'm so sorry to hear the sad news of a very special person. Keith was very good friend to all our family and will be missed. Prayers to Janie, Kevin and the family.

Jackie Shafer
Scotty Fleener



Jackie - January 07, 2016 at 06:16 AM

GD

“ Gary And Judy Dunnaway lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Gary and Judy Dunnaway - January 07, 2016 at 05:30 AM

BR

“ Brandy lit a candle in memory of Keith O'Neil Gromer



Brandy - January 07, 2016 at 01:23 AM

MR

So sorry about your Brother, thinking of you and Charles. Martha

martha reed - January 08, 2016 at 03:40 PM

DD

“ As a fellow contractor, I remember Keith as a very kind and generous man. Anytime, he needed a certain tool and did not have it, he came to me and likewise, I did the same with him. He always called me for my acoustical ceiling tile man out of Kansas City. We love the quality of his grocery store, especially his meat department and vegetables dept. where he displayed many of his home grown veggies grown there in the store. Sympathies to all the family!! Prayers !! Dick and Karen Dobbins

Dick and Karen Dobbins - January 06, 2016 at 02:01 PM

KB

Thank you Dick and Karen. What a beautiful tribute.

Kari Odette Gromer Brady - January 06, 2016 at 05:13 PM

RV

Keith help build the Mothers' Shrine. His construction company, Gromer Construction, did all the excavation for the grotto seating area, the fountains, and the altar. Keith also provided all the annual flowers that were planted on the grotto grounds. His son-in-law, Chuck Brady, did the stonework for the terraced seating area in the grotto.

Rose Vanderveck - January 07, 2016 at 03:01 PM