



Lt. Col. (Ret.) Kenneth Duane Brooks

June 17, 1931 - May 20, 2018

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Kenneth Duane Brooks, 86, of Wichita, KS, passed away peacefully on Sunday May 20, 2018, at the Laurie Care Center, Laurie Missouri. Born in Wichita, Kansas, June 17, 1931, to Zeddo and Valla (Shane) Brooks.

Kenneth was an incredibly intelligent man with degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Texas Tech University and Business from Wichita State University. He was a Registered Professional Engineer in Texas.

He served proudly in the Air Force for 24 years retiring in 1977. He held many positions while in the Air Force as a Flight Test Engineer at Edwards Air Force Base, in California and In-Plant Government Representative at multiple aircraft companies.

After his retirement from the Air Force he went on to work for Kentron International, a division of LTV Aerospace in Grand Prairie, TX, Eaton Kenway, in Salt Lake City, UT, and Boeing in Corinth, TX.

Kenneth was extremely devoted to his family and is survived by his two sons, Randy Brooks and wife Debbie of Gravois Mills, MO and Kevin Brooks and wife Theresa of Playa Del Rey, CA; step-children, Helen Gaskins and husband John of Eugene, OR, Richard DeMarzo and wife Deann of Perris,

CA and Sandra Livingston of Dallas, TX; his brother, Jim Brooks and wife Louise of Jacksonville, FL; his grandchildren, Laura Weisenburger, Paula Snook, Alyson Brooks, Dana Brooks, Daniel Brooks, and John Brooks; step-grandchildren, Jamie Frizzell, Bret Frizzell, Cody Frizzell, Chris Gaskins, Nicole Romero, Danielle Romero, Alexandra Headley, and Alanna Headley; his great-grandchildren, Kaelyn Weisenburger, Bryant "That Guy" Weisenburger and Ripley Snook; numerous step-great-grandchildren and several cousins, nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his beloved dog, Sandie Sue.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Zeddo and Valla (Shane) Brooks; his granddaughter, Theresa Brooks and his step-grandson, AJ Carroll.

The family will receive friends from 1:00–3:00 p.m., Monday, June 11, 2018 at Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel (417 Fairgrounds Road, Laurie, MO). Burial with military honors will be at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Higginsville, Missouri.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

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

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Higginsville

20109 M0-13
Higginsville, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel
417 Silvey Rd.
Laurie, MO 65038
(573) 374-7688

Graveside Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Higginsville
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Tribute Wall

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“ Rest Kenneth, until you hear at dawn,
the low, clear reveille of God.

Thank you for your service to this nation.

Harry Simpson - June 06, 2018 at 03:21 PM

KA

“ I grew up with Ken and his brother Jim in Riverside in Wichita, Kansas, and was with him in Boy Scout Troop; #1. I reconnected with him at LTV in Texas and worked with his son Kevin. Ken was a great person and a real friend to share memories. I will miss talking to him on the phone. Hope to also have the opportunity to reconnect with Kevin.

*Ken Adamek
Wichita, KS*

Kenneth Adamek - June 06, 2018 at 10:38 AM

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“ I was very sad to read about Ken's passing this morning. He was a great person and had a heart of gold! He loved his family a great deal! I missed Ken when he moved to Missouri but knew that he wanted and needed to be by some family. I knew Ken from volunteering at the McConnell AFB Personnel Office and other activities and events. I could always count on him to help out with anything. The Brooks Family is in our thoughts and prayers. RIP my dear friend!

Norm and Kathy Prue - June 06, 2018 at 08:25 AM

Helen
Gaskins

“ *RIP Dad... you deserve a vacation in heaven... see you at the pearly gates... We had such a fantastic childhood because of you. So, many wonderful times in Hawaii, Washington, California, Kansas and Texas. Love you to the moon and back...*



Helen Gaskins - June 06, 2018 at 12:20 AM

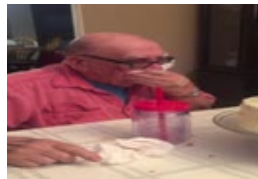
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“ *I am proud to have known, and visited with Col Ken Brooks. He shared many memories, and was very fond of the dog. !!*

stanley field - May 30, 2018 at 08:49 AM

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“ *53 files added to the album Pop's - Ken Brooks*



Richard - May 23, 2018 at 12:27 PM

LK

“ *It was fun knowing you Ken, although Allen thought you should be Carl. Rest in peace my friend*

Linda Kimberling - May 23, 2018 at 11:01 AM