

Horton , KS



Stanley Wayne Koelliker, 74, of Horton, surrounded by his family, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Saturday, October 6, 2018.

Stan was born December 10, 1943, in Horton, to Gilbert H. and Dorothy Stone Koelliker. He was raised on a farm on the Brown-Doniphan county line and graduated with the class of 1962 in Highland, Kansas. Stan joined the U.S. Army in the fall of 1963 and spent a tour of duty in Vietnam, before being discharged in September of 1965, at the rank of E 4.

He married the love of his life Sheila Brook on December 18, 1965. After the marriage, he worked in Topeka for Goodyear for five years. After a back injury, he leased and operated the Skelly/Getty/Texaco service station in Horton, Kansas for 25 years. He then became the groundskeeper at the Lakeview County Club in Horton. After retirement, Stan enjoyed working in the kitchen at the Tri-County Manor for a few years. He earned his pilot's license in 1980 and enjoyed owning his plane and flying with friends and family. He was an avid golfer, fisherman, and enjoyed riding his bike and taking walks.

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, his brother William Koelliker, and a grandson London Koelliker.

Survivors include his wife Sheila of the home, and daughter Wendy of the home. Other daughters include: Gipsy and Jim Boone, Brooke and Ethan Grier, Sunshine and Aaron Crimas, Summer and Chad Goblen, Megan Beery, Dionne Carter, Karen and Justin Ferney, Jennifer Koelliker, Dot and Pat Clements, and Raina Koelliker; his sons: Shawn Koelliker, Dustin Koelliker, Jeremy and Susan Koelliker, Kevin Koelliker, Cody Koelliker, Art and Cindy Koelliker, Donnie Koelliker, Marshall Koelliker, Thomas Koelliker, and Brad Koelliker; as well as 69 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. A brother Howard and Vera Marie Koelliker also survives, with numerous nieces and nephews.

He also leaves behind an extended family in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, including Marco and Sylvia Guzman and their three daughters: Camilla, Sarah, and Valentina, from his numerous trips of vacationing and mission work.

A Celebration of Stan's life is planned for 11 a.m. Thursday, October 11, at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hiawatha. Theola Carter will officiate. Interment with military honors will follow at Claytonville Cemetery, south of Hiawatha.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Wednesday where the family will meet from 6 until 8 that evening.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Stanley Koelliker Memorial Fund, sent in care of the funeral home, 124 S 7th St., Hiawatha 66434.