

Seneca, KS

Randy Ray Grauer, age 61, a prominent Seneca business man, who owned and operated Freddy's Pizza Palace unexpectedly passed away on Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at the Nemaha Valley Community Hospital in Seneca.

Randy was born on January 11, 1957, in Marysville, Kansas, to George "Butch" and Alberta "Red" (Coffman) Grauer. Randy grew-up around the area—living in Marysville, Sabetha, and Seneca. He graduated from Nemaha Valley High School in 1975 where enjoyed playing football.

Four years later, on October 13, 1979, Randy married Janice (Heideman) Grauer at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Seneca. Randy and Janice had two children together, Maranda and Tara.

An entrepreneur, Randy owned and operated several businesses throughout his life. Following high school, Randy purchased Randy's Standard Service. He then worked for his father-in-law, George Heideman, at Heideman Locker, which Randy later took over and renamed Seneca Meat Market. Continuing in the butchering business, Randy also founded Wild Thing Processing, where he butchered deer and other game. But Randy did not just butcher meat—he could cook it too. Randy and his wife Janice ran Freddy's Pizza Palace for two stints between 1983 and the present, for a total of 25 years. In addition to his own businesses, Randy worked at Haverkamp's Grocery in Centralia and Big B Thriftway in Seneca.

Outside of work, Randy enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren: Dylann, Mykal, Emersyn, and Ryder. Randy was a member of the Sons of the American Legion. He was an avid hunter and fisherman who never backed down from a challenge. A man of many talents, Randy also liked to work on antique cars, motorcycles, and go-carts. Randy was known to enjoy a “occasional” Budweiser and some may remember his monkey, which often tagged along with him. Taken too soon, Randy will be greatly missed.

Randy was proceeded in death by both of his parents; his father-in-law, George Heideman and his brother, Terry Grauer.

Randy is survived by his wife, Janice of 39 years, his daughters, Maranda (Lg) Novotny of Seneca and Tara (Andrew) Lohmann of Topeka, and four grandchildren.

Rosaries will be prayed at 2 and 7 P.M. on Friday, December 28, 2018 at the Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca. Funeral Services will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, December 29, 2018 at the Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca. The Burial will be in the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery in Seneca.

To express your sympathy and for more information visit [www.lauerfuneralhome.com](http://www.lauerfuneralhome.com).