

Atchison, KS



Herold "Jay" House Jr., 54, Atchison, died Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015 in his home after a long battle with cancer. After years spent in hangars working on planes, traveling the world and fixing his daughters' cars, Jay would like you to know that his work here is done. He is in a wonderful place now; spending time with his father he hasn't seen in 26 years, picking out the best pizza spots in heaven and never having to worry about another oil spot in any parking lot. Jay had the ability to make anyone laugh, even in situations when no one else could. He lived his life to the fullest and filled every room he entered with love and laughter. Jay was born Nov 11, 1960 in San Francisco into the family of Herold Jay House Sr. and Carole (Percin) House. Growing up in Daly City, Calif., he created friendships that would last a lifetime. It was here that he met, Peggy McLean, whom he later married on Sept. 19, 1987 in Millbrae, Calif. They resided in Tualatin, Ore. for 13 years where they were blessed with his prides and joy, his daughters, Stephanie and Tamara. In 2001 the family moved to Atchison. In 1980 Jay joined the Air Force which guided his career. He spent 20 years working for Delta Airlines as an avionics technician. When he retired from Delta he briefly worked at Benedictine College, before returning to the airlines to work for Republic Airways for the remainder of his career. Jay is survived by; his wife, Peggy House of Atchison, his daughter Stephanie Sander (Dustin) of St. Joseph, Mo., his daughter Tamara House also of Atchison, his mother Carole House of Castro Valley, Calif., his sister Michelle Segelke (Carl) of San Leandro, Calif., as well as many close friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Herold Jay House.

There will be a celebration of life Thursday, Jan. 22, 4:00 pm, at the Atchison United Methodist Church, 501 Kansas Ave. There will be cookies and lemonade following the service. Any donations can be made to the Atchison United Methodist Church. Online condolence and obituary at www.ruppfuneral.com