



Herbert "Larry" Linn

January 14, 1945 - November 26, 2020

Herbert Larry Linn was born to Herbert O. and Gladys L. Coffman Linn on Jan. 14, 1945, in Miami, OK as the youngest sibling of four. Betty (Ralph) Mullen of Miami, OK, Robert (Janice) Linn of Grove, OK and Kenneth (Sharlotte) Linn of Fort Smith, AR survive along with a host of nieces, nephews and cousins which he cherished. He married Donna Martin in Miami, OK on December 23, 1967. Their family was blessed with two children: Michael Don (Amy) Linn and granddaughters Maggie and Zoe of Springfield, MO and Jennifer Ruth (Aaron) Little and grandsons Jude, Ezra, and Amos of Joplin, MO.

Larry wore many hats throughout his lifetime: son, brother, husband, father, and grandfather, but his proudest title was a faithful follower of Christ who genuinely cared about people. He held his credentials with the Assemblies of God for a number of years, serving in numerous ministry capacities: interim pastor, Sunday school teacher, and multiple terms on church boards. He and his wife, Donna, even served as missionary assistants outside Window Rock, AZ shortly after they were married. Much of his service was behind the scenes, necessary, but unseen by most.

Professionally, Larry operated a semi-tractor with over a million miles to his credit. He earned his Specialist Degree in Education from Missouri State University and began his education career teaching students to build cabinets and furniture in the Golden City, MO. He pursued school administration there and in Carthage, and ultimately retired as Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Carthage. He also served as President of the Missouri Association of Business Officials.

In his free time, Larry enjoyed working with his hands, bringing salvage vehicles back to life, building furniture and cabinets, traveling, and keeping his lawn in tip top shape. He didn't like to be in the limelight, but was always willing to lend a hand in anyway he could. He had a quick wit and liked to joke, but was just as quick to offer bits of wisdom and encouragement. To those who knew him best, he was a loyal friend, a faithful and loving husband, devoted father and grandfather, a hunter, a golfer, and motorcycle rider. He lived life to the fullest, but always kept his commitments to God, family, and friends in focus.

Private family services will be held on Tuesday December 1, 2020 in the G.A.R. Cemetery in Miami, OK due to Covid-19.

Larry will lie in state on Monday, November 30, from 11:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. at Ulmer Funeral Home for anyone who would like to pay their respects and sign the guest book.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

GAR Cemetery

Miami , OK

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 1 (CT)

GAR Cemetery
Miami , OK

Tribute Wall

CT

“ Larry was assstant principal and principal at the high school for many years during the '80s and early '90s. He was an excellent leader and disciplinarian. He had a dry sense of humor that was fun to be around. I remember his favorite expression when you went to him with a problem. After he had listened carefully, he would sit without speaking for a few minutes, and then say: "Trust me. We will solve this problem." "Trust me" became the code term that teachers relied on.---

Caroline Tubbs

Caroline Tubbs - December 09, 2020 at 10:11 AM

KJ

“ Larry Linn was our cousin, and close in age to our now brother (who passed away in 1998). He is remembered fondly by Margie (Johnson) Warner as a cute baby, a dedicated husband, and a good Christian man. Our sympathies to his family, especially Donna. From Margie and Kay, daughters of Hallie who was the oldest sister of Larry's mother Gladys.

Kay Johnson - December 01, 2020 at 06:06 PM

DL

“ Mr. Linn was the best boss and one of the best men I ever knew. I loved him as a Christian man and he was a friend I will always cherish. He could chew you out and you would not know it for a while. If you make it to heaven, you will see Mr. Linn. See you. Don Loop.

Don Loop - November 30, 2020 at 09:31 PM

SS

“ Larry was our neighbor in Carthage for years! He was always so sweet, kind and always would greet you with a smile! Prayers for Donna and family!

Samantha Stone

Samantha Stone - November 29, 2020 at 10:45 AM

TB

“ Find memories of the generosity and kindness he showed when I attended Carthage Schools so many years ago. Thoughts and prayers to the family.

Trudy Blankenship - November 29, 2020 at 10:16 AM

SN

“ We were very sorry to hear about Larry! He was such a help next door and will be greatly missed. Your family is in our prayers
Jeff and Sue Neely

Sue Neely - November 29, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ Red Poinsettia (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Herbert "Larry" Linn.



November 29, 2020 at 08:58 AM

ES

“ Larry Linn was the young adults Sunday school leader at Grace Pointe when I was a teen. My family had been through the wringer and he was someone I could look forward to seeing every week as a happy, encouraging face. He always treated me like family. He helped teach me to drive so I would be able to pass the driving test because my Dad was too scared to (jk, we just didnt have a car he could teach me in, at the time). He was a lovely man and I will always treasure my memories of him.

Elizabeth Snow-Kaether - November 28, 2020 at 09:53 PM

RB

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Linn's passing. He was the industrial arts teacher and then principal at Golden City when I was in high school there. I remember him as being quite witty and very attentive to students, often just saying something funny to us as we passed him in the halls to let us know he cared. I've always tried to do the same at the schools I've taught at. Mr. Linn taught by example, and I hope I have done the same for the past 39 years. It was educators like him who influenced my decision to become a teacher. I know he will be greatly missed by many. My condolences to his family. Renee (O'Dell) Burton, Class of 1977

Renee Burton - November 28, 2020 at 09:17 PM

DS

“ I worked with Larry at Golden City schools. I knew him as a man of God first, a great family man as well as a dedicated teacher and roll model for so many kids. I hope and pray that God is raising up men like Larry today, to carry on his great example to the generations to come. We all lost a great friend but our loss is heavens gain.

Dan Scott.

Dan Scott - November 28, 2020 at 05:35 PM