



Jerry Lester Spry Sr.

September 13, 1940 - June 22, 2021

Jerry Lester Spry Sr., 80, passed away Tuesday June 22, 2021. He was a lifetime resident of Carthage. Jerry was born September 13, 1940 to Monte and Doris (Klein) Spry and was the third of six children.

Jerry married the love of his life, Shirley Jeane Lambeth, on December 19, 1959. She preceded him in death on March 13, 2018.

Together they had two children, Terri Diggs (Tony) and Jerry Spry, Jr. (Brenda). He is survived by three grandchildren Craig Diggs (Teri), Amy Jones (Kirk), and Carrie Burgi (Kevin), and six great-grandchildren Asher Jones, Jasper Diggs, Ava Jones, Olivia Burgi, Kael Jones, and Brooks Burgi.

He is also survived by his siblings Mary Jane Talley (Bill), Carthage; Tom Spry (Robyn), Mt. Zion, IL; David Spry (Cheryl), Diamond as well as sister-in-law Barbara Spry, Jasper; brother-in-law Kenneth Wheat, Carthage; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law Susie and Bob Trent, Carthage. Elaine Wheat and Monte Earl Spry preceded him in death.

Jerry graduated from Carthage High School with the Class of 1958. Jerry served in the US Navy from 1958 to 1964 and was honorably discharged. Following his service, he worked at Hercules and then Carthage Water & Electric Plant starting in the electric department and later transferring to the wastewater department. He retired in 2005 following over 34 years of service.

Jerry was a member of First Christian Church of Carthage and the Seeker's Sunday School Class.

Jerry's favorite hobbies were his children, grandchildren, especially his great-grandchildren, fishing, and woodworking.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 25, 2021 at First Christian Church in Carthage. Visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 24, 2021 at Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be at Park Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to First Christian Church in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **24**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
1208 S. Garrison
Carthage, MO 64836
(417) 358-2222
ulmerfh@gmail.com
<https://www.ulmerfh.com/>

Funeral Service

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church- Carthage
800 S. Main St.
Carthage, MO 64836

Tribute Wall

SK

“ *My heart felt condolences for the family*

Stephanie Kendle - July 28, 2021 at 02:55 PM

LG

“ *I'm so very sorry for your loss. Praying for peace and comfort.*

LISA L GRIFFITH - June 24, 2021 at 10:19 AM



“ *Jerry always set a good example for kids when he coached sports and I had the pleasure of playing on a few of his teams Rest in Peace Jerry and praying for your family*

Greg Rogler - June 24, 2021 at 10:05 AM

DG

“ *Jerry had a very kind heart, always had a smile to greet you with. Our prayers are with the family. Doug and Sherry Groves*

Doug and Sherry Groves - June 24, 2021 at 08:43 AM

SB

“ *Sylvia L. Bader lit a candle in memory of Jerry Lester Spry Sr.*



Sylvia L. Bader - June 23, 2021 at 08:49 PM

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“ *Jerry was always a friendly and thoughtful person and always had time to visit in person. Always talked about his family and Shirley and Jerry were always full of laughs. I will remember them always in that way. It has been a pleasure to have known them. It is at this time that my thoughts and prayers are with their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and family.*

Sylvia L. Bader

Sylvia L. Bader - June 23, 2021 at 08:48 PM