



David W. Gallion

December 19, 1939 - July 16, 2022

David W. Gallion, 82, of Grand Island, formerly of Albion, died July. 16, 2022, at Tiffany Square Care Center in Grand Island.

A celebration of life is planned from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7 at the Merrick County 4H Building in Central City. Mr. Gallion was cremated, and burial will be later. Memorials are suggested to the Gallion Family, 802 'D' Ave., Central City, NE 68826. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements. He was born Dec. 19, 1939, to Judson "JB" and Gladys (Woodward) Gallion at Hebron. He graduated from Chester High School in 1958 and graduated from Kearney State College in 1963 with a Bachelor of Arts in music education. He married Gloria Grigsby on Aug. 7, 1966, and the couple lived in Kenesaw and Gordon before moving to Deshler where the couple both taught and then ran the Country Squire Café for eight years. In 1979, the couple moved to Albion to be closer to family. David taught music and often speech and drama at many schools throughout his career including at Kenesaw, Gordon, Deshler, St. Edward, Petersburg, Taylor, Arcadia, and Clarks schools, retiring in 1997. For several years, he also sold Tupperware.

The couple raised their children in Albion and then moved to Grand Island in 2009. He was a Mason for more than 50 years and was a member of the United Methodist Church in Albion. Dave expressed that his wife and children were his greatest joy and source of pride. He was thankful for his time with them and that all of his children stayed close by and visited often.

Mr. Gallion's love of music and performing positively impacted not only his

family but the many students he taught over the years. His life reflected his passions by instilling creativity and humor into every story he told and every song he sang. His family will always remember his jovial personality and that he always had a silly joke to tell. Dave enjoyed collecting model trains and antiques. In his retirement, spending time with others, especially going to the Grand Generation Center in Grand Island for lunch and attending family gatherings for holidays and birthdays were some of his favorite activities. Although David's song has ended, his melody will linger on long after in the lives of those who were lucky enough to know him.

Survivors include their four children: Todd (Colleen) Gallion of Grand Island; Jeff (Maryjo) Gallion of Chapman; Leanne (AAron) Blanchard of Central City; Tim Gallion of Aurora and Heather Muirhead of Alma; a sister, Marilee Niewohner of Albion; grandchildren, Jared and Julieanne Gallion, both of Chapman; Molly and Emmett Blanchard of Central City, Cheynelle Blanchard of Denver, Sierra Blanchard of Wray, Colo., and Taylor Blanchard of Lincoln; Alex Gallion of Grand Island; and Kelly and Kalob Taylor of Alma.

He was preceded in death by his wife Gloria, his brother, Lawrence, a son, Bryce, and a granddaughter, Megan.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

AUG 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Merrick County 4H Building
Central City, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *David W. Gallion*

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“ *I was a classmate of David in Chester. He sang at my wedding at the Methodist Church in Chester on December 27, 1959. He was always a happy guy who liked to do silly things.*

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