



Jerry Henry Brand

April 8, 1939 - November 3, 2022

Jerome “Jerry” Henry Brand, 83, of Grand Island passed away on Thursday, November 3, 2022.

Service and celebration of Jerome’s life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday at First Faith United Methodist Church. Reverend Ray Stone is the officiant. Military Honors will be provided by the United States Air Force and the United Veterans Honor Guard.

There is a visitation from 4-6 p.m. Sunday at All Faiths Funeral Home.

Jerry was born April 8, 1939, in a farm home near Silver Creek, NE, the son of Charles and Mae (Carman) Brand. He grew up in the Silver Creek area and graduated from Silver Creek High School, class of 1956.

On May 28, 1956 he entered the United States Air Force, serving in Germany with the 701st Missile Wing. He was honorably discharged April 1, 1960.

Following his discharge, he went on to receive his BS at the University of Nebraska Kearney.

On September 3, 1961 he married DeEtte Smith. There were three sons born to this marriage. During this time, Jerry taught and attended graduate school, receiving an MA of Mathematics from the University of Arkansas. Jerry was employed by Grand Island Public Schools. He retired from teaching in May of 1994 with 30 years in the classroom. He then joined DeEtte in her specialty advertising business as an engraver. Following DeEtte’s passing in 2005, he sold the business to his son and fully retired.

On November 26, 2015, he was united in marriage to Barbara Baxter

Sheffield.

Over the years he had enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, jogging and walking, but especially watching his grandchildren in their sports.

He was a member of First Faith United Methodist Church of Grand Island, NSEA, NEA and NRA.

Those who cherish his memory include his wife, Barbara; sons, Steve (Tina) Brand of St. Joseph, MO, Ken (Mary) Brand of Grand Island and Jeff (Mollie) Brand of Lucas, TX; step-children, Brandie (Doug) Giffin of Omaha, Bret (Nicole) Sheffield of Olathe, KS and Bart (Heidi) Sheffield of Prior Lake, MN; grandchildren, Nick, Tony, AJ, Jess, Steph, Katie, Sydney, McKenna, Nate, Abbie, Maddie, Zack, Taylor, Rylie, Jayden, Macy and CJ; and great-grandchildren, Brody, Hallie, Leo, Luella, Brooks, Graham, Collins, Wade, Corbin and Diana.

Other survivors include his siblings, Francis (Darrell) Gray and Rosie (Joe) Beck; sisters-in-law, Ellen Brand, Nickie Brand and Lydia Brand; brothers-in-law, Dick (Linda) Falldorf and Bill (Cathy) Bigley.

He was preceded in death by his parents; step-mother, Vera Brand; and brothers, Jack Brand, Jim Brand and Charles Brand.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to First Faith United Methodist Church. Online remembrances may be left at www.giallfaiths.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
2929 S Locust St
Grand Island, NE 68801
(308) 398-2929
allfaiths@giallfaiths.com
<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

Celebration of Life Service

NOV 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

First-Faith United Methodist Church
4190 W Capital Ave
Grand Island, NE 68803
(308) 384-5620

Tribute Wall

BF

“ I'm sorry to hear this.. he was one of my favorite teachers. He never failed to say hello and ask how my life was going even more than 30 years after being his student. He was definitely one of the good ones. Sending my most sincere condolences to his loved ones.

Brenda Friesen - February 18, 2024 at 05:01 PM



“ Jerry Henry Brand

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM

LC

“ Jerry was one of my mentors at Barr Junior High School when I started my 41 years teaching career in August of 1971. We were related in some way because my paternal grandfather, William Carmann, spent several years in the Polk/Silver Creek area before moving to the Pleasanton farm in the early 1920's--Jerry tried to explain the connection to me but I don't recall the specifics. On behalf of my daughter, Julie, and my son, Tim, we extend our condolences and sympathy to Jerry's family.

Larry Carmann - November 07, 2022 at 08:46 AM

MH

My sincere sympathy sent to Jerry s family. His mother Mae was my Grandmother Nelson's sister.My mother was very fond of Jerry , Jack and Jim as she helped care for them after Mae passed. My love to everyone.Marilyn Schuster Harvey

Marilyn Schuster Harvey - November 07, 2022 at 05:47 PM

CB

“ Jerry will be missed. His wit and humor were only exceeded by his superior teaching ability and genuine concern for others. His ability to analyze any situation and bluntly speak the truth to superiors in the educational hierarchy earned my long abiding respect. The Chaperone organization would nominate him for sainthood. A kind, respectful gentleman who made a positive difference in our world.

Craig Burchess - November 06, 2022 at 06:47 PM

MK

“ I have fond memories having Jerry and the Brand family as our neighbors. Jerry was often working out in the yard or garden as Steve, Ken and Jeff were shooting hoops in the driveway. He was my Sunday school teacher when I was in junior high. He was always kind and inquired about others. I will remember his laugh and that he was a faithful true friend to my parents. I know that he will be missed terribly. I am praying for peace for all of you during this time of sorrow.

Sincerely,
Mindy (Roby) Kugler

Mindy Kugler - November 06, 2022 at 11:10 AM

ML

We have fond memories of Jerry and his family. Please accept our sincere condolences, and know he will be greatly missed. Sharon, Gordon Bigger and family, Ken, Marilyn Luth family.

Marilyn Luth - November 06, 2022 at 06:55 PM