



Roger "Ozzie" Ostwald

September 30, 1937 - March 11, 2019

Roger "Ozzie" Ostwald, 81, of Grand Island, Nebraska passed away peacefully on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Country House Residence of Grand Island, NE.

Service and celebration of Ozzie's life will be at 2:00 pm Friday, March 12 at the All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island, Nebraska. Visitation will be from 1:00 pm until service time. Burial will be held at the Grand Island City Cemetery with military honors provided by the United States Navy and the Grand Island Veterans Honor Guard.

Ozzie was born September 30, 1937 in Lincoln, the son of Henry and Katherine (Reifschneider) Ostwald. He grew up and attended school in Lincoln, Nebraska graduating from Teachers College. On October 28, 1955, Ozzie enlisted in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged October 6, 1959.

He married Diane Yant in 1963 and to this union two sons were born, Gary and Brad Ostwald. On May 2, 1987, Ozzie was united in marriage, to the love of his life, Sherrel Ann Hawkins in Tucson, AZ. The couple were happily married for 32 years and resided in Grand Island.

Ozzie was a successful entrepreneur with many small businesses and was the Owner/Operator of Exec-Air Inc. In addition, he owned and operated Exec Aviation in Grand Island, NE and Chandler, AZ. He was a member of the Shriners, the American Legion and the Platt Deutsche. Ozzie loved his years as a pilot and flew many miles. His favorite past time was playing golf and

manicuring his yard as meticulous as the golf course itself. He was a longtime member of the Riverside Country Club.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Sherrel; sons, Gary Ostwald (Tracey Stevens) of Weston and Brad (Heidi) Ostwald of Papillion; grandchildren, Miranda Ostwald (Cliff Foster), Katherine Phillips, Briella and Blair Ostwald; great-granddaughters, Malaurie and Karsynn; brother, Marvin (Margaret) Ostwald of Lincoln; sister, Doris (Don) Taylor of Lincoln; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Ruth Stubbs.

Ozzie's family extends a sincere and gracious thank you to the staff of the Country House Residence for their compassion and care for Ozzie during his final chapter.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Parkinson's Nebraska, 16811 Burdette St., Suite 1, Omaha, NE 68116 or The E Free Church, 2609 S. Blaine St. Grand Island, NE 68801.

Cemetery Details

Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 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

MAR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Roger "Ozzie" Oswald

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ Sherrel, Gary and Brad,
What a guy Ozzie was, as you remember Ozzie and I started out not being friends at all, but we began working together and became good friend. He was always fun being around. Boy was he PROUD of both Gary and Brad when they were serving our Country. I know he will be missed by all. Ther is only ONE Ozzie. Will never forget knowing Ozzie. Best to all. Richard Miller

Richard Miller - March 15, 2019 at 11:01 PM



“ Rebekkah J Oswald lit a candle in memory of Roger "Ozzie" Oswald



Rebekkah J Oswald - March 15, 2019 at 02:31 PM

RO

“ One of my memories of Ozzie would be, when he held his first granddaughter in his arms. You were so gentle with her and she would just stare at you. You were really a great father-in-law to me and a wonderful grandfather and great grandfather to my daughters and granddaughters. I always loved seeing you when I would come back to Nebraska. Your smikry smile always made me smile. I love with all my heart. Thank you for everything you did for me. To the Ostwald family, I am so sorry for your loss. Ozzie was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle and friend to everyone he met. Rest in Peace Ozzie. Like the Navy says, Anchors away but for you, fly high like an eagle. Miss you always.

Rebekkah (Becky) Ostwald

Rebekkah J Ostwald - March 15, 2019 at 02:29 PM

DN

“ Sorry to hear of Ozzie`s passing he was one of a kind. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Sherell and family. Doug Nickel

doug nickel - March 15, 2019 at 11:05 AM

KM

“ May peace and strength be with your family .
Gods light is shining on you.
Celebrate life every day.
Hope you are all doing well.
The Mettenbrinks

Kim Scott Elie Mettenbrink - March 14, 2019 at 03:16 PM

KW

“ Sorry to hear about Ozzie. You're in my prayers

Kim Witt - March 14, 2019 at 12:11 PM

KW

“ *Kim Witt lit a candle in memory of Roger
"Ozzie" Ostwald*



Kim Witt - March 14, 2019 at 12:10 PM