



Jerry Ray Cole

December 7, 1947 - December 25, 2017

Jerry Ray Cole, 70, of Tulsa, Oklahoma passed away December 25, 2017, surrounded by his family, after 6 long hard years of battling cancer. He was born on December 7, 1947 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Jerry and his mother, Wanda, moved to California where he attended public school. Wanda met and later married Rex D. Johnston, who raised Jerry as his own.

Jerry will always be remembered for his great sense of humor, his love for the Lord, and his family. He was very proud of them.

He served his country as a contractor in Afghanistan. Jerry also worked for Cherokee Casino in Catoosa as a maintenance supervisor. He worked most of his life at the Muskogee First Presbyterian Church as the building manager. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rex and Wanda Johnston.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Teresa Young; his children, Tina Cox and husband Douglas of Washington, DC, JD Wheeler and wife Missy of Tahlequah, Jessica Goff and husband Don of Marietta, GA, Jay Cole of Colorado, and Nicholas Cole of Midwest City; grandchildren, Daman & Cheyenne Cox, Justin Winget, Taylor Goff, Jace Goff, Macy Wheeler, Calli Wheeler, and Brooklyn Wheeler; 1 great-grandson, Noah Castellanos; along with other family members and friends who will miss him dearly.

A memorial service celebrating Jerry's life will be 3PM, Thursday, December 28, 2017 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Bill Crow officiating.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 28. 3:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry Ray Cole*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Tina and Douglas and the rest of Jerry's family - I have been trying to contact Jerry for a year now. My wife did some research and found his obituary today, and I am so sorry to hear about your Dad! He was my best friend in Kandahar, Afghanistan, and we would occasionally call each other to see how the other was doing. We had some extremely crazy times at Dyncorp, and would laugh a lot. I knew he was sick, and am glad he is at peace although I will miss him. Maybe we will meet up again one day. Steve and Debbie Markesino, Richmond, Texas.*

Steve Markesino - January 14, 2019 at 07:27 PM



“ *Jerry was a good father-in-law and friend, he always had advice to share about this or that.. We had many fun and unique times together, whether just sitting on the couch, a quick trip to Braums, the store, roaming the streets of Germany, or talking about World War II history and collecting memorabilia. Jerry was a character to the end and will be missed! God bless.*

Douglas Cox - December 28, 2017 at 12:24 PM

Tina
Cox

“ Tina Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Tina Cox - December 28, 2017 at 12:10 PM

Tina
Cox

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Tina Cox - December 28, 2017 at 12:09 PM

JG

“ Jessica Goff sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Jessica Goff - December 28, 2017 at 11:25 AM



“ Jessica Goff lit a candle in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Jessica Goff - December 28, 2017 at 11:24 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry Ray Cole.



December 28, 2017 at 11:21 AM



“ 1 file added to the album LifeTributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - December 28, 2017 at 09:03 AM



“ Tina Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 11:51 PM

Tina
Cox

“ Tina Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 11:51 PM

Tina
Cox

“ Tina Cox lit a candle in memory of Jerry Ray Cole



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 11:51 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jerry Ray Cole.



December 27, 2017 at 09:46 PM

Tina
Cox

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 06:59 PM

Tina
Cox

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 06:58 PM

TC

“ Jerry and I went to see John Fogarty a few years back. We were giggling & giddy with excitement & he was dragging me around like a rag doll just like he used to back in our twenties. He didn't say a word when I said I planned to have our daughter Jessica at home in 1976. A few years ago, he asked why in the world I put HIM through that! Ha! This is how I'll remember him. He is a good man with a good heart & that's what I take with me.

teresa young cole - December 27, 2017 at 04:22 PM

Tina
Cox

Love this!

Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 06:57 PM

AB

“ Jerry was a great guy. He was always ready and able to help anyone who needed it. He was a wonderful asset for First Presbyterian Church. His gifts and talents were always so surprising and beneficial Thank you family for sharing him with us. Ann Brizendine, retired Pastor of First Presbyterian.

Ann Brizendine - December 27, 2017 at 03:26 PM



“ 137 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - December 27, 2017 at 01:26 PM



“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 01:13 PM



“ *Brenda Bradford sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Ray Cole*



Brenda Bradford - December 27, 2017 at 12:23 PM

BB

“ *Brenda Bradford lit a candle in memory of Jerry Ray Cole*



Brenda Bradford - December 27, 2017 at 12:23 PM

 Tina
Cox

“ *You were my "person" Daddy. I am already feeling the void of all the small ways you were present in my life. I love you and cherish the relationship we built. I miss you so bad it hurts my core.*

Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 12:16 PM

NI

Im so sorry for you all he was like a dad to me a shawn. I love you Tina

Nicole isham - December 27, 2017 at 03:07 PM

 Tina
Cox

Love you and thank you.

Tina Cox - December 27, 2017 at 06:58 PM