



## Gene Keith Van Deren

April 23, 1949 - August 22, 2021

Gene Keith Van Deren was born April 23, 1949, to Weldon and Wilma (Haynes) and was called home to the Lord at 2:00 a.m. on August 22, 2021, and exchanged his corruptible body for his incorruptible one, and was united with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Gene was born in Westminster, Texas. He was raised in Buffalo, Missouri and graduated from Buffalo High School. He served as a health care worker for twenty-five years. He was united in marriage to his loving wife Connie on March 15, 1996, and they made their home in Urbana, Missouri.

He is survived by his wife Connie Van Deren, six sons Mark, James, Jeremy, Terrance, Jason, and Weldon, four daughters; Emily, Katie, Melissa, and April, three brothers; Wendell, Galen, and Don Paul, one sister, Lynette, twenty-four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Weldon, and Wilma, two sisters, Paula and Peggy, one brother, Kenneth and one son, James.

Gene was a faithful member of Victory Temple Church, where he was known for his signature whistle. He loved to tinker with just about everything and was always building something. He loved his family and especially loved being Grandpa. He will truly be missed by his wife, children, grandchildren, and church family.

Please join the family for a potluck dinner at First Baptist Church in Urbana, Missouri following the graveside services.

Funeral services for Gene will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, August 26, 2021 in the

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home with burial to follow in the Mission Ridge Cemetery under the direction of the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo, Missouri.

Visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday. August 25, 2021 in the Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Ridge Cemetery

Mission Ridge Road  
Urbana, MO 65767

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 25.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home - Buffalo  
931 W. Main St.  
P.O. Box 993  
Buffalo, MO 65622  
(417) 345-2211  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gene Keith Van Deren*

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Gene Keith Van Deren*

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ *Gene Keith Van Deren*

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *Gene Keith Van Deren*

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ *Gene Keith Van Deren*

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gene Keith Van Deren.*



August 23, 2021 at 08:23 AM