



Jerre D. Custer

November 27, 1946 - October 25, 2023

Linden – Jerre D. Custer, age 76, of Linden, died on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at Upland Hills Health in Dodgeville surrounded by his family.

Jerre was born November 27, 1946 in Yankton, South Dakota, a son of Dean and Erlene Custer. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served from October 1964 until November 1967 on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Hornet.

After his service, Jerre worked with his father and uncle in the boilermaker trade, welding tanks for 15 years. He then settled in Platteville and became a heavy equipment operator, working for Longsberg Trucking and then G.A. Watson Construction in Dodgeville.

Jerre was a proud 25-year member of the Operating Engineers Local 139. He also was a member of the American Legion and the Platteville Fire Department.

He was married to Andrea Custer and they had three children. He later married Debra Davey in 2016 and lived his remaining 7 years with his loving and caring wife.

Jerre enjoyed golfing, was an avid Packers and Badgers fan, he loved spending time with his great friend “Pete”, making Sunday morning pancakes

for his family, and making and hiding Easter eggs. Jerre loved life.

Jerre is survived by his wife Debra; his children Teri Custer of Platteville, Travis (Krissy) Custer of Cuba City and Traci (Jamy) Dorota of Platteville; his grandchildren Colton Vivian, Sierra Vivian, Remington Dorota and Jace Dorota; his siblings Pat (Doug) Schramm, Beverly Kettler, Perry (Kim) Custer and Kelly Custer; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law Wayne Kettler.

A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville. A visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until time of services on Saturday at the funeral home. Inurnment will be held in Linden Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites accorded by the Linden American Legion Post No. 493.

He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Linden Cemetery

311 Church Street
Linden, WI 53553

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Beautiful visitation. Wonderful photos and a lovely family. Thank you for being a veteran Mr. Custer.



Lori - November 04, 2023 at 11:00 AM

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“ Jerre, I remember when you tried to teach me to water ski at Blackhawk. I couldn't get up and you threatened to leave me in the middle of the lake if I didn't get up. I got up just long enough to get to shore. That's the extent of my water skiing. You and John taught Jonathan, Dean, and I the value of Crimson and Clover as a traveling song. We'll always remember that. When you came back to Platteville on weekends we always had fun. We spent a lot of time at Big Bad John's drinking, playing cards, and listening to stories. I think of you as smiling, laughing, and telling stories that got bigger and better over the years. Tell Dean and Erlene hello from us. Thanks for being such a good friend to John. Rest in peace. Susie Abing

Susie - November 04, 2023 at 10:27 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jerre D. Custer.



November 03, 2023 at 08:18 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Jerre D. Custer*.



November 02, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ *Debbie so sorry for your loss. Hugs and prayers* 🙏❤️

Carol Schubert - November 02, 2023 at 06:07 PM