



Jerry Eyre Rockwood

August 2, 1943 - December 20, 2015

Jerry Eyre Rockwood, our dear father, grandfather, and friend unexpectedly passed away on December 20, 2015. Jerry is survived by his wife Kae and his five children Jennifer, Jon (Marisa), Jason (Jenny), Jared (Kenise), and Jeffrey (Julianne). He is also the proud grandfather to seventeen beautiful grandchildren. Jerry was born on August 2, 1943 in Salt Lake City, UT as the youngest son of Clarence LeRoy Rockwood and Vesta Arilla Eyre Rockwood. His siblings were Clarence LaVar Rockwood (Shirley), Trulan Van Rockwood (Marian), and Diane Rockwood Jackson (Don).

Jerry spent his youth in the Sugar House area of Salt Lake City, and graduated from Highland High School. After completing military service, he served a faithful LDS mission to the Eastern States. Jerry later attended and graduated from Brigham Young University where he met and married his lifelong sweetheart Kathlene Kae Johnson. They were married in the Salt Lake City Temple on September 2, 1965. Jerry and Kae raised their five children in Lake Oswego, OR and he became a devoted and lifelong Oregonian. As empty nesters they settled in Sherwood, OR in their beautiful dream home.

Jerry loved sports and took special pride in the accomplishments of all his children in their athletic and professional endeavors. Jerry was passionate about his service to God. He worked faithfully in his callings and rendered service to his family and friends. Most of all, Jerry lived his life for his sweet wife and his children. It was too soon for this great husband, father, and grandfather to leave us, but we know that he accomplished all that he was sent to do here in mortality. He will be remembered by all those whom he touched as a loving, thoughtful, and caring man. Good bye Dad...we love you with all our hearts, and we know that we will see you again soon.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 12:00 PM at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Sherwood Chapel, 17234 SW Meinecke Road, Sherwood, OR 97140. Graveside Services at 2:30 PM at River View Cemetery, 0300SW Taylors Ferry Road, Portland, Oregon 97219.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC **29**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

LDS - Sherwood
17234 SW Meinecke Rd
Sherwood, OR 97140

Graveside Service

DEC **29**. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

River View Cemetery
0300 SW Taylors Ferry Rd
Portland, OR 97219
<http://www.riverviewcemetery.org>

Tribute Wall

MH

“ I was saddened to hear of his passing and was not able to attend his service! I was glad I was able to share in a passion of his golf and enjoyed our trip to bend and on the course in Newberg! He shared stories of his children and his grandchildren and how proud he was of them and their accomplishments! For the short time I was blessed to know him I know his wife was his biggest and best accomplishment as he always said he was very lucky to land such a catch! I will cherish his memory when I'm out on the links and was able to witness his hole in one out at chehalem glen! I have yet to achieve this feat and I know you will watch over me and the boys out on the links! Rest in peace my friend!!!! Michael P. Harney

Michael P. Harney - December 30, 2015 at 12:26 AM

BN

“ Jerry and Kay were lovely relatives. We loved them dearly and enjoyed being in their home in Lake Oswego. He was a fantastic husband, father, cousin and grandfather. He will be deeply missed.

Love, Bud and Nila Neslen, Bountiful, Utah

Bud Neslen - December 29, 2015 at 05:07 PM

RE

“ Jerry will be greatly missed. We have known Jerry for many years and he is a man of strong convictions and great integrity - he taught Sunday School class for many years in the Lakeridge Ward bringing great insights, knowledge and the spirit to his classes. He lived what he taught.

He also led the music in Sacrament Meeting and the choir. When Jerry led, the congregation all knew they were supposed to sing and they always did. When someone else was leading the music, it seemed that very few people were singing...he had a way just with his presence to make you want to do better and to be more involved and aware.

Jerry was proud of his family and loves them very much. I love that he was always so concerned with their happiness and especially so sweet and concerned with his dear companion's happiness and well being. Jerry was always a great dad, husband and friend to all.

Our lives have been greatly enriched by our friendship with Jerry. Our sincere condolences to Kae and to his family.

Richard & Rosemary Evans

Richard B Evans - December 29, 2015 at 12:33 PM

BN

“ Although I have known Jerry for just a few short years, it is with a heavy and sorrowful heart that I bid farewell to a dear friend. May your drives be long, your putts straight and true, and above all else, KEEP SWINGING. You will be missed.

Bob Van Name

Bob Van Name - December 28, 2015 at 11:06 PM

TE

“ I too worked with Jerry at Chehalem Glenn. I also played a lot of golf with Jerry. Through all of our conversations, the topic that came up the most was his love of his family. He was very proud of all of his children. He loved his wife and all of his grand children too. Jerry was probably the most positive person I have known. He will truly be missed.

Ted Evans - December 27, 2015 at 07:22 PM

GB

“ I worked with Jerry at Chehalem Glenn Golf Course, and although I didn't know him long he was always a joy to be around. Always had a smile and carried a positive attitude every time I saw him. It was my honor and pleasure to have known him and he will be missed by all that had the same opportunity. My sincere condolences to his family.

Greg Black

Greg Black - December 27, 2015 at 06:05 PM

HR

“ Jerry was literally my right hand for almost 5 years as we served in the Bishopric for Lakeridge Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. I could always count on Jerry to teach any class, lead any discussion, or even direct a choir whenever those needs arose. I still remember so vividly when I came to Jerry and explained that the stake had asked our Ward to provide the choir music for upcoming stake conference. I added my own challenge to the task by sharing with Jerry I really felt it was important we have about 50 singers--and I wanted them to come from our Ward. The easier path would have been to make it a two-ward choir, but Jerry agreed that because it was our ward which had been asked it should be our ward to carry out the assignment. Up to that time, we had never had more than 25 or so sing in our choir, but Jerry pulled it off. We scheduled just two practices so that members recognized the importance of being at each practice, and by day of the conference we fielded a full 50 members in the choir seats and prepared to provide what turned out to be the best our choir had ever sounded.

That effort with the choir was representative of Jerry in every task he undertook. A true friend whom I will miss dearly.

Harold Rust (sent from Pordenone, Italy)

Harold Rust - December 26, 2015 at 05:03 AM