



## Joseph David Keller

February 5, 1939 - October 10, 2019

Joseph David Keller, 80, was born on February 5, 1939 in Ardmore, OK and passed away on October 10, 2019 in Willis, TX following complications from surgery.

At a young age, Joseph moved from Ardmore, OK to Texas with his parents, eventually settling in La Marque. Joseph had a love of sports and was quite the athlete, lettering in football, basketball and track. After, graduating from La Marque High School in 1958, Joseph enlisted in the USAF serving as a munitions

expert and nuclear weapons specialist. After, serving in the USAF four years he was honorably discharged in 1962. He then served in the USAF Reserves until 1964.

In the mid 1960's he moved to Conroe, TX, where he was a private investigator for five years. In 1995, Joseph retired after 26 years of service as a rural mail carrier in Montgomery, TX.

Joseph enjoyed hunting and fishing with his family. He enjoyed sitting on the porch drinking coffee and telling stories. He always had a way with words and would talk to anyone willing to lend an ear. Joseph had a kind and giving heart. He was greatly loved and will be sadly missed.

In 2012, after being diagnosed with dementia Joseph was cared for by his dedicated wife Linda, of 27 years and her daughter Kelly Goodman & family.

Joseph is preceded in death by his parents Joseph J. & Mildred E. Keller.

Joseph is survived by his loving wife Linda Keller, sister Annette Gustafson

(Richard), daughter Shar Files (Ken), Kelly Keller (Fred), step children Kelly Goodman (Scott) and Kevin McMichael, his grandchildren Sydney Kim, Madison and Emily Files, Courtney Bowers, Alli Cook, Fred Cook III, Remington Cook, Rainy Day Cook, Kinley Goodman, and Taylor and Colton McMichael, and nephews Rich and Jamie Gustafson, niece Ashley Griffith and the mother of his daughters Betty Stewart, longtime family friend Christina Roberts, who would graciously sit with him when needed, as well as many other friends.

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 2:00PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis. You are invited to leave a written condolence online at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **19**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.  
Willis, TX 77318  
(936) 890-0454  
greg@shmfh.com

# Tribute Wall

GF

“ I served in the Air Force with Joe. He was a couple of years older than me.  
He and his roommate Donald Jensen lived across the hall from me in our barracks. We had a lot of fun in New Mexico. Hunting and fishing a lot.  
Cuban Crisis was not fun, but we got through it. I was emotional when he got discharged. That's how close you get to each other. His Dad came and picked him, and just like that he was back in Texas. He was a mentor to me, an 18 year old kid, who thought he knew everything, but didn't know anything.  
Another loss of a really great person. I'm a better person for having known him.  
Gene Fuson  
mobasr@yahoo.com

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**Gene Fuson** - October 22, 2024 at 07:08 PM



“ Joseph David Keller

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM

LK

“ Life dealt me a hard blow when I lost you...I will miss you always!

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**Linda Keller** - October 26, 2019 at 11:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph David Keller.*



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October 17, 2019 at 06:37 PM



“ *Joe you have touched our lives in so many ways. You will always have a special place in our hearts. We love you and will miss you so much. May you rest in peace our dear friend. Jerry and Janice Refior*



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**Janice Refior** - October 16, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph David Keller.*



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October 16, 2019 at 09:24 AM



“ *I love you Granddaddy*💙

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**Courtney Bowers** - October 15, 2019 at 08:48 AM

BS

“ Joe, you are now at peace with no more pain. I know Mother & Daddy (Lorraine & Robert Stewart) were some of the first to welcome you home. They loved you so much. 💔



**Betty Stewart** - October 14, 2019 at 10:29 PM

DW

“ Donna Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Joseph David Keller



**Donna Westbrook** - October 14, 2019 at 08:27 PM

LM

“ Larry and Andrea McMichael purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joseph David Keller.



**Larry and Andrea McMichael** - October 14, 2019 at 05:08 PM

TF

“ The McMichael Family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Joseph David Keller.



**The McMichael Family** - October 14, 2019 at 02:45 PM

DH

“ *Im deeply saddened to learn of Joe's death. My condolences to the family, and my dear friend of 50+ years, Betty Stewart.* ❤️

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**Debbi Higgins** - October 14, 2019 at 12:39 PM

BS

*Thank you so much for the kind words, Debbie* 🍷

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**Betty Stewart** - October 14, 2019 at 10:31 PM