



Jerry T. Patton

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On November 4th, 2023 Jerry T. Patton went home to be with his Lord and Savior after a severe stroke.

Jerry was born in Granite City Illinois the 7th child of Lloyd and Anna Patton.

On

September 30th, 1961 he married the love of his life Ruth N. Sullivan, the day after her 19th

birthday. Jerry worked many construction jobs starting at a young age working for his father

pouring cement driveways and later working on bridges over the Mississippi before getting a job

with Westinghouse as a purchasing agent. Before leaving Illinois in 1969 they had 3 daughters

Joy, Jan, and Jeri.

Westinghouse moved the family to Utah for 4 years, Maryland for 2 years, then Benicia,

California. 6 months after moving to California Westinghouse wanted the family back in

Maryland and Jerry said no thanks and left that job. Jerry worked for several different

companies as a purchasing agent but the job that he liked the best was when he became a grandfather in 1978.

Jerry retired early and was going to be a house husband but God had other plans for Jerry and Ruth. After 2 Work and Witness Mission trips to Guatemala and 3 to Brazil they felt the call

to be ministers. They received the local ministers license in the Church of the Nazarene and in

May of 2007 were Ordained Elders in the Church of the Nazarene.

They joined the staff at Concord Christ Community Church of the Nazarene where they

served several years. Then they took over the Alameda Church of the Nazarene then joined with

the Oakland Bayview Church. They retired in 2014. After Ruth passed away Jerry found he

needed something to do and helped at the Hayward Nazarene church for several months. Jerry

retired again but God was not done yet and he was able to minister at Vallejo 1 st Church of the

Nazarene where his calling started.

Jerry had 2 hobbies. His daughter Jeri got him started on Family History. He would

spend hours tracking down ancestors. Jerry other hobbies many people were able to participate

in. It started when he moved to Vallejo. Jerry collected Coffee cups. At his passing he had over

1,200 cups. Cups from states, business, places he visited.

He is preceded in death by the love of his life Ruth N. Patton, his eldest daughter Joy E.

Hale, his parents Lloyd & Anna Patton, his brothers William (Red), John Roy

(Jack), Lloyd

Bryon (LB), Larry and his sister Synthia Patton and Helen McMann.

He is survived by his daughters Jan Patton and Jeri (Daniel) Chapman, 5 grandchildren:

Candice (Joe) Fuller, Robert (Amy) Hale, Courtney Hale, Shyla (Mason) Harrington, Nathan

Chapman and 5 great grandchildren.

We will be celebrating Jerry's life on November 18 th , 2023 at 11 am at Vallejo 1 st Church of the Nazarene.