



Jerome "Jerry" M. Woodward

December 13, 2024

Jerome "Jerry" M. Woodward, 83, of Huntington, passed away at 5:30 am Friday, December 13, 2024, at Stillwater Hospice Home.

Jerry was born on July 16, 1941, in Burlington, IA, the son of Tyler Woodward and Fern (Olsen) Woodward. He graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs, Iowa and attended Iowa State University where he received a BS degree in Chemical Engineering. In 1964 Jerry proudly enlisted in the United States Air Force and served his country for 8 years, earning his rank as Captain. During his Engineering career he worked in various industries throughout Iowa, Illinois, and Indiana. Jerry married the love of his life Casandra M. Hladik on July 9, 1994, in Oskaloosa, IA. They made their home in Des Moines, IA and later in Huntington, IN. He was a faithful member of The Well church in Huntington.

Jerry believed in self-improvement and was always eager to learn more. He loved history and being a proud Veteran, he could talk for hours about the military. Jerry had many talents and could do anything he set his mind to. In 1968 Jerry bought a 1955 T-Bird as a project and his everyday driving car. He spent countless hours working on his dream car, making sure it had a big enough motor and a strong body. Jerry was very passionate about his car and enjoyed showing it off. He was sad to see it go earlier this year, but he felt it was time for someone else to enjoy it. Jerry was a devoted family man and

adored his grandchildren more than anything.

Survivors include his loving wife, Casandra M. Woodward of Huntington, IN; children, Deborah (Hladik) Austin & husband Levhan of Springfield, IL, Kevin Hladik & wife Vicki of University Park, IA, & Patricia Hladik of Huntington, IN; grandchildren: Casandra (Austin) McDonald & husband Roh of Minneola, FL, Hope (Austin) Gorens of Springfield, IL, Tasha Austin of Springfield, IL, Grant Hladik of Oskaloosa, IA, Justin Hladik of Huntington, IN, and Emma Wissinger of Huntington, IN; ten great grandchildren; sister, Analee (Woodward) Paul of Stanwood, WA; nephews, Jan Paul & wife Alli of Oak Harbor, WA, Scott Paul & wife Karen of Lakeland, TN; and niece, Morgen (Paul) ten Hoopen & husband Doug of Camaro Island, WA. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Orrine Woodward.

Memorial Service will be 2:00 pm May 24, 2025, at The Well, 1883 Old US Highway 24, Huntington, IN with Pastor Josh Kesler officiating.

Preferred memorials to The Well Church of Huntington, IN., in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Jerome M. Woodward.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

The Well
1883 Old U.S. Highway 24
Huntington, IN 46750

Tribute Wall

MC

“ I just learned of Jerry’s passing. This man was a generous human being with compassion for all who knew him years ago in Des Moines, Iowa. Jerry Woodward was my roommate. I kept in touch with him over the years even after Jerry and Sandy left Iowa I am still using the desk that he helped me to find. he taught me many things, including the use of personal power and looking out for those who were in need we’re not famous or well off. Jerry was a compassionate human being and I was able to share many hours of excellent conversation with I will always remember the time that Jerry and I went to the White House earlier in our lives. I only wish that I would’ve paid closer retention to Jerry’s health issues over the last year or so Jerry was like me in so many ways always asking for ways to help out whether it’s with a family a personal issue or a church related concern. Jerry will soon be missed by all who knew him. Mike Cook Des Moines, Iowa.

Mike Cook - January 12, 2025 at 03:40 PM

JF

“ We are so sorry that this valiant warrior lost his battle with cancer. Jerry (Jerome) had such a marvelous sense of humor, kind eyes and gentle smile! Godly man. He will be missed! The last time I saw him in Huntington, what did he say? He gave me a word of praise and appreciation! Now doesn't that sound like him? He always had time for a little visit, and then he would fold himself up, and get in his tiny Thunderbird (?) Sportscar and chug away! Love you, Sandy, and thankful you were there to see him through. Jan and my Jerome, Iowa

Jan Fitzsimons - January 08, 2025 at 12:48 PM

MA

“ Jerry was a dear friend to me. I enjoyed talking with him at dinners out and at church. He was one of only a few people who could understand everything I wanted to talk to him about (science and technology). We also enjoyed talking about World Wars and Winston Churchill.

Mitch Adams - December 15, 2024 at 08:11 PM

CW

Thanks Mitch, he enjoyed visiting with you as well. Sandy

Casandra M Woodward - December 17, 2024 at 10:43 AM