



Gene Barron Russell

May 21, 1946 - May 8, 2015

'Gene Russell, longtime resident of Owasso, was born May 21, 1946, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to Derral Eugene and Billie Marie (Sharp) Russell. He died Friday, May 8, 2015, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 68 years. Gene was reared and educated in Oklahoma City and graduated with the Capital Hill High School Class of 1964. He attended Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Oklahoma, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Applied Ministry (Educational Emphasis) and completed his education earning his Master's Degree in Business Administration from Oklahoma City University. Gene was married August 1, 1975, in Tulsa, to Judy Proctor. They have made their home in Owasso since 1977. He spent his early working life as divisional merchandise manager with OTASCO and then retail marketing manager for Purolator. Most recently he was a management consultant through Russell Management Resources. He also served as Executive Director of the Tri-State Sign Association in Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri. Gene was a faithful member of Bethel Baptist Church in Owasso where he served as deacon, Bible Study teacher, and several other positions. He enjoyed a variety of pastimes, but his family was most important, especially the grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. Loving family members include: His wife, Judy, of the home Three sons and daughters-in-law and 13 grandchildren: Jim and Gayle Russell, of Owasso (Corbin, Pierce, Valerie) Jon and Cindy Russell, of Owasso (Emily, Travis, Erika, Justin, Hayley, Jared, David) Kris and Valerie, of Edmond, OK (Major,

Avery, Grace)Brother Bill Russell (Vicki), sisters Frances Larman, Darla Gilbert (Curtis) and Gayla Cain, all of Oklahoma City. He will be missed, as well, by his extended family and many, many friends. Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, May 11, 2015, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Funeral service will be held 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at Bethel Baptist Church in Owasso with Pastor Bill Ascol officiating. Private committal services and interment will follow at Floral Haven Memorial Gardens in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. The family requests that memorial donations may be made in memory of Gene Russell to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. www.moweryfs.com'

Tribute Wall

GW

“ *'My deepest sympathies go out to the Russell family. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may the soul of your loved one rest in peace.'* ”

Glenn White - May 15, 2015 at 10:33 PM

AH

“ *'I have known Gene since he worked at one of the OTASCO stores here in OKC in the very early 70"s.....we reunited in the OTASCO general office in 1975, the same year he married Judy.....there were lots of good times during those years....in 1987, I moved on and so did Gene and Judy.....I was so sorry to hear of his passing....my thoughts are with Judy and the family'* ”

Andy Howe - May 13, 2015 at 09:02 PM

MM

“ *'We are so sorry about Gene passing and like everyone, we are glad we knew him.\r\nHe had such a strong moral compass that he provided to family and friends.'* ”

Mike & Lisa Major - May 12, 2015 at 11:51 AM

KR

“ *'our prayers are with you. Grace and Peace to you'* ”

ken reed - May 11, 2015 at 09:16 PM

CR

“ *'So Sorry to hear of Gene"s passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and family at this most difficult time.\r\nCarol & Ken Reed'* ”

Carol Reed - May 11, 2015 at 08:15 PM

KP

“ *'It was an honor to have known Gene. He was a true gentleman. Kind, honest and a wonderful Christian. My prayers and deepest sympathy to Judy and the his entire family.'*

Karen Plott - May 11, 2015 at 06:01 PM

KS

“ *'My deepest sympathies to Judy & Family. So glad I had the pleasure to meet Gene through EWI. He was a real Gentleman.'*

Karen Skirten - May 11, 2015 at 05:38 PM

JL

“ *'I enjoyed working with Gene these last few years. He is a great man.'*

Jace Larsen - May 11, 2015 at 05:25 PM