

Coach Carol L. Jordan

January 10, 1938 - July 20, 2019

Coach Carol L. Jordan was born January 10, 1938 in St. Louis, Missouri to Elzie and Eudora (Hill) Jordan and passed away July 20, 2019 surrounded by his loving family at his home in Salem, Missouri at the age of eighty-one years.

As a young boy, Coach grew up in Bunker, Missouri and graduated from Bunker High School. He obtained his teaching degree at Arkansas State University. Coach was saved and baptized at an early age and was currently serving as a member of New Harmony Church. He was a proud supporter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and a member of the Missouri Retired Teachers Association.

Coach married, his late wife, Melba Fay Jackson August 18, 1956 and shared together forty-five wonderful years of marriage until her passing in September 2001. Coach and Melba were blessed with two children: Darin and Heather. On March 28, 2009 Coach married Susan Stewart and added to his family two additional children: Sarrah Pickering and Nick Harris.

Coach was a dedicated educator who worked tirelessly throughout his thirty-three year career to inspire his students. His teaching career was mostly health and physical education at Rector, Bunker, Oak Hill R-1, Northwood R-4 and Salem R-80. He coached basketball, football and track. His players

learned not only the skills of the game, but valuable life skills that would benefit them immeasurably in their adulthood. The admiration and respect he earned from his players continued to grow long after their playing days, and his relationships with his former players were cherished by him his entire life.

When he wasn't on the field, Coach loved to travel and enjoyed spending time with his family. He loved to spoil his grandchildren and cherished time spent with those he loved most. He had a passion for taking videos and pictures of the scenery out west. He would "road hunt" to take pictures and videos of deer, turkey and any other wild animal he would come across.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Elzie & Eudora Jordan, his first wife Melba (Jackson) Jordan and sisters, Melissa Barton and Pat Botkin.

Coach is survived by his loving wife: Susan Jordan of Salem, MO; children: Darin Jordan of Salem, MO and Heather Jordan of Salem, MO; stepchildren: Sarrah Pickering of Salem, MO and Nick Harris of Salem, MO; four grandchildren: Stephanie Dunn and husband Richie of Lesterville, MO, Katie Revelle of Davisville, MO, Christian Jordan and wife Samantha of Salem, MO and Emalee Brickey of Greensburg, IN; three great grandchildren: Cadence Dunn, Mason Dunn and Jaxon Revelle; sister: Lavetta Leonard of Chesterfield, MO; many other nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Coach loved all of the young people he taught and coached, as well as, his coworkers. He was a loving husband, proud father and caring grandfather. He lived a full and prosperous life, that created so many wonderful memories for him and others.

Funeral Service for Coach Carol L. Jordan was held Tuesday, July 23, 2019 with Pastor David Gidcumb officiating. Song selections played were "One True Love", "The Prayer" and "I Can Only Imagine". Serving as Pallbearers were

Christian Jordan, Richie Dunn, Nick Harris, Tim Sanders, John Halbert and Brett Goforth. Burial was in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. All arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Grove Cemetery

Salem, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
Salem, MO 65560
(573) 729-5555
<https://www.wilsonmortuary.com/>

Service

JUL 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AP

“ Coach was always a special person and role model to me. We spent many of nights hunting predators out at our farm. He taught me a lot about hunting, a lot about life, and some basketball stuff too. One night I shot a fox that he called In. I had a 12 gauge, my brother was holding a 22 mag, and coach was working the light and calls. When I shot the fox I was like did you know it was me that shot him coach. He said well hell yes I knew it was you, it sounded like a cannon going off. Lol
Coach you will be missed my friend.

Andy Parker - July 28, 2019 at 01:45 PM

KW

“ What little I knew about coaching junior high basketball I learned from Carol. Ready to share what he knew. Fun to be around. Good teacher as well as coach. We had a good time as teachers and coaches. Good influence on kids. He will definitely be missed.

Keith Wheeler

Keith Wheeler - July 26, 2019 at 07:55 PM

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“ *To the Jordon family*

Another cousin gone too soon from this earth but with his heavenly Father now.

Growing up we were always at the farm in Bunker enjoying family life with each other.

We always new great love from each other and Carol was good with us teaching us ball and how to be a good sport when we didn't always win.

My condolences to the family.

The Parker family (Uncle Bill's and Aunt Fae's kids)

Donna Anderson (Parker) - July 24, 2019 at 01:03 PM

DB

“ *I remember Carol as a good basketball player and the highest scorer in his senior year. I remember Carol as a good baseball pltcher, and have had many trips with Carol and Melba back-and-forth from home to Cape Girardeau at college. Dean Burns*

Dean Burns - July 22, 2019 at 03:51 PM

ST

“ *Carol and I played basketball together at Bunker Mo high school...We also graduated together in 1956. He was a great athlete .. Hi Dad (Elzie) use to load a bunch of us boys on his flat bed truck take us to another town to play summer baseball. Some good memories.*

stan thompson - July 22, 2019 at 02:34 PM



“ 149 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Wilson Mortuary - July 22, 2019 at 02:16 PM



“ *Rick & Debbie Land lit a candle in memory of Coach Carol L. Jordan*



Rick & Debbie Land - July 22, 2019 at 09:51 AM



“ *U and Melba were such a big part of my life growing up. My Coach at R4 and a friend with my parents Bill and Valerie Raulston. U will be missed.*

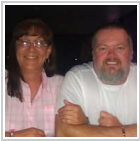
Jackie Henson - July 21, 2019 at 05:21 PM

LW

“ Heather, Darin, and Susan- we were so sorry to hear that “Coach” had passed away! He was a great coach and friend to many! We both thought so much of him ! You all will be in our thoughts and prayers! He was quite a guy!! ❤️

Larry and Brenda Wofford

Larry and Brenda Wofford - July 21, 2019 at 04:27 PM



“ Heather, Darin and the rest of the famiy....

My heart and prayers are with you on the loss of Coach. He was such a wonderful man, and leaves behind a great legacy, but a large hole in our community.

I will always remember that goofy smile and infectious laugh that he was always eager to share, as well as the scoldings that were given in love to encourage us...not only in sports, but to make us good people in our lives.

You all will be in my prayers. But remember the good times and cherish those memories.

Love you all! ❤️

Donna Wells-Stephens - July 21, 2019 at 12:50 PM

LH

“ Lita (Decker) Hicks lit a candle in memory of Coach Carol L. Jordan



Lita (Decker) Hicks - July 21, 2019 at 12:09 PM