



Jefferson "Jeff" Edward Seay

January 28, 1951 - January 20, 2024

Jefferson Edward Seay was born January 28, 1951, to William E Seay and Shirley (Anderson) Seay and passed away January 20, 2024.

Jeff was a 1969 graduate of Salem High School where he played on the Salem High School football team. He graduated from Central Methodist College in 1973 with a degree in Sociology and a minor in English; he was a member of Chi Delta fraternity. Jeff owned and ran Ziske Sales and Service in Salem and later was the Assistant Administrator at SMDH.

Jeff enjoyed trout fishing with his kids at Montauk and fishing for walleye with his grandfather Clarence Anderson in Canada and northern Wisconsin as well as goggle-eye fishing on the Gasconade and Piney Rivers. Jeff enjoyed quail, turkey and pheasant hunting with his dad and family members.

In later years, one of his favorite hobbies became supporting nature conservation and bird watching; he kept a journal of his sightings for years. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals, St. Louis Blues, and Missouri Tigers fan. He enjoyed reading, writing, making "to do" lists, and following politics. Jeff faithfully attended and watched his grandkids in all their extracurricular activities as long as he was able.

In his later years he was the Unofficial Mayor of Salem Care Center where he

was an advocate for staff and residents and cared for them like he did his own family.

Jeff loved a good joke, a funny story, and sharing memories that went all the way back to elementary and middle school days. He never forgot a birthday or special occasion, devotedly sending cards and letters to friends and relatives across the years. Jeff treasured the conversations and friendships he shared with years-long friends.

Jeff is survived by his mother: Shirley Seay of Salem, MO; children: AJ Seay (Megan) of Salem, MO, Kerrick Seay (Teisha) of Long Island, NY, Drusilla Howard (Dustin) of Salem, MO, and Lexi Keith (Jeremy) of Salem, MO; grandchildren: Kiara Rennick, Kolson Seay, Zoey Seay, Thomas Seay, Crosby Seay, Kash Howard, Josie Howard, Madi Keith, Jack Keith, and Ivan Keith; great-grandchildren: Harbor and Rysner Rennick; sister: Liz Condray of Salem, MO; brothers: William Camm Seay of Eminence, MO and Andy Seay of Salem, MO; aunt: Drusilla Rees of St. Louis, MO; special friend: Mary Jane Lippert of Kenosha, WI; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

Preceding him in death were his father: William Earl Seay, grandparents: Clarence and Dorothy Anderson and Earl and May Drusilla Seay; and his brother-in-law: Mike Condray.

Celebration of Life for Jefferson "Jeff" Edward Seay were held Saturday, February 3, 2024, in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with AJ Seay officiating. Additional speakers were Liz Condray, Wm. Camm Seay, Drusilla Howard, and Kerrick Seay. Honorary Pallbearers were Jim Higginbottom, Dave Moller, Larry Lough, Tim Rice, Rick Brooks, Liz Condray, Andy Seay, and Wm. Camm Seay. Burial will be in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem,

Missouri.

Memorial Contributions may be made in memory of Jeff Seay to the Salem Public Library or the LovePack BackPack Program and left at Wilson Mortuary. Memorial Envelopes will be available.

Online Condolences may be left online at www.wilsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Cedar Grove Cemetery

Salem, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ 222 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Wilson Mortuary - February 03, 2024 at 09:31 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Jefferson "Jeff" Edward Seay.



January 31, 2024 at 02:42 PM



“ *Dru, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.* - ASG

Gail L Sanders - January 25, 2024 at 06:07 PM

JK

“ Jeff was a special man. It was my honor and great pleasure to have spoken with him and find out that He believed and was in right standing with our living Savior Jesus Christ And this being so. Being absent from the body is to be present with the the Lord. No longer in the mortal body Which Jeff had limited ability withvHis physical Boy. But there is no longer any more restraint s to His brand new body. Completely Whole. Full of peace joy forever True Jeff will be so Arly missed the presence of his memory is stayed within every heart who loved him and new God bless you all. My continual prayers will be with you has you travel during your grieving process. May I encourage you here Our Lord is our present time of Help and strength. He desires to hold us and comfort us and bare all our pain and sorrows. For in Him we never ever walk alone. He knows us the best and loves us the best. Jo A Sneed God's Speed. Thou you our low Your Mighty and Faithful and Amazing God shall raise you up In His Glory And Power

Jo. A Sneed Kenner - January 24, 2024 at 11:02 PM

FM

“ Frank McCarter purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jefferson "Jeff" Edward Seay.



Frank McCarter - January 23, 2024 at 06:03 PM

FM

“ Frank McCarter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jefferson "Jeff" Edward Seay.

Frank McCarter - January 23, 2024 at 06:03 PM

DM

“ Jeff was my fraternity brother and helped me get my first job in journalism, which led to a 41-year career. If I had not met Jeff, I would not be the man I am today. Godspeed brother, I will always remember your Chi Delt loyalty and infectious laugh.

Dave Moller - January 23, 2024 at 08:18 AM

SA

“ Lots of great memories during our time together. Save me a spot at the Great River Jeff, we have some floating to catch up on. Condolences for his family and friends. Steve Altis

Steve Altis - January 22, 2024 at 06:00 PM

JH

“ A kind thoughtful man. My friend



jim higinbottom - January 22, 2024 at 05:35 PM

MW

My condolences to Jeff's family and friends. I enjoyed the conversations Jeff and me had when I was in Salem for our 50th SHS class reunion. Again, I am very sorry for the loss of another of our classmates. Mike Whitlock, Yuma, Arizona

Mike Whitlock - January 22, 2024 at 06:51 PM

FM

I would share some antics but I'm afraid the police keeps old records. A very good friend that I'll never forget! Frank McCarter, Wasilla, AK

Frank McCarter - January 23, 2024 at 05:52 PM

RB

Jeff, I am so glad you escaped all that made your life what it was for such a long time. I don't remember you complaining or even commenting on any of it. You earned my admiration for your determination to keep your sanity while enduring all the sights and sounds of what was your reality. It is behind you now. I hope you are free from all that past daily grind and have embraced your new environment. Also, here is a tip for you; take pics of the condition of your new digs (wall paint, chipped trim, brkn tiles etc), otherwise you may not get your deposit back later. You have been a good friend for a long time and if you ever need a reference just let me know. Love you and will miss you so much.

Rick Brooks - January 28, 2024 at 08:50 PM