

formerly of Seneca, KS



Rick Honeyman, 70, died peacefully at his home on August 6, 2020; his family and community feeling the loss of an extraordinary man. Rick resided in Seneca and Lawrence and recently moved to Topeka, Kansas to live closer to his grandchildren.

He was born June 21, 1950, oldest son of Robert and Rosella Honeyman. As a young child he grew up helping his dad deliver Meadow Gold fresh milk to homes in Seneca. Rick graduated from Sts. Peter & Paul High School in 1968. He was a star quarterback at Saints Peter and Paul schools in Seneca Kansas, Highland JCCO, St Mary of the Plains College and a baseball pitcher at Washburn University in the 1970's. He loved the Jayhawks, Royals and Chiefs. Rick loved his family, sports, hunting and fishing with the biggest chubs he could find.

He began his career while in college selling cars at Lewis Toyota and being management at Kent Brown Chevrolet. In 1979, he founded Rick Honeyman Ford & Mercury in Seneca. He loved his Ford customers and employees who became his friend through the years.

Rick married Linda Hermesch August 1972, while on their honeymoon they met Elvis while in Las Vegas. He loved coaching American Legion Baseball and youth teams as his kids grew up and later watching his grandchildren play sports. Rick was always present yelling words of encouragement from the sidelines. He had a cheerful personality that could lighten any situation, often with a firework nearby. During his retirement Rick enjoyed golfing at Spring Creek Golf Course. He enjoyed fishing with his son, grandkids and his buds at Clinton Lake. He loved his family with all of his heart, and they will miss his amazing spirit and kindness. He took being a grandparent seriously and his

grandchildren will hold onto their special memories of their “Poppy,” as he was one of a kind.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert “Bob” E. Honeyman on October 8, 2014 and his brother, William J. Honeyman on November 11, 2010.

Survivors are his wife, Linda Honeyman of Topeka; children, Ryan (Nikki) Honeyman, Seneca and Haley (Sam) Gish, Topeka; mother, Rosie Honeyman, Seneca; siblings, Gary (Diann) Honeyman, Laramie, WY, Terry (Meryce) Honeyman, Topeka, Janet (Roger McCollister) Honeyman, Lawrence, Diane (Lloyd) Brandenburg, Topeka, Jeanne Thomsen, Lawrence and Lori (Mark) Koepsel, Topeka; and his grandchildren who put a smile on his face every time he saw them--Cali, Meg and Logan Honeyman and Kennedy, Brooklyn and Hunter Gish.

Rick will be in state all-day on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at Lauer Funeral Home.

A Rosary will be prayed Thursday, August 13th at 7 PM at Lauer Funeral Home, with family present from 6-8 PM. The Funeral will be Friday, August 14th at 7 PM at St Bede’s Cemetery, Kelly, Kansas.

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASK REQUESTED.

Following the ceremony, the family will gather in the ST Bede’s Catholic Church parking lot. Refreshments will be provided. There will be a cruise down Main Street in Seneca to remember Rick and the times he cruised the route in his red Ford Fairlane during the 1960s.

In lieu of flowers please plant a tree or make a donation in Rick’s memory to Spring Creek Golf Course, Youth Sports of Seneca and/or Theatre Lawrence.com

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Please bring your own lawn chairs for seating during Mass, and arrange in a manner that will provide for your safety, as well as for others. For those with increased safety concerns, who prefer to remain in their car and still attend the funeral Mass, there will be limited parking available.