

Seneca , KS

Velven Jackson York Jr.,88, passed away on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 in Seneca, Kansas.

He was born on August 27, 1932 in Buckeye, Texas, the son of Velven York Sr. and Rose Wood York. He attended school in Markham, Texas, and later received his GED while in the military.

Joining the Air Force as a young man, he served 22 years. While he was stationed at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver, he met Mary Ann Taylor of Seneca, where she was working as a nurse. They married on November 30, 1961 in Bangor, Maine. In 1963, they moved to Germany when Velven was transferred to Hahn Air Force Base. They returned to the States in 1966 to McCord Air Force Base in Tacoma, Washington. In 1970, they again went overseas to Alconbury Air Force Base in England. Velven retired from the Air Force in 1972 and they moved to Seneca. While living in Seneca, they managed the Harsh Drugstore, the Seneca Variety Store, and helped build Country View Estates in Seneca.

He belonged to the Earl Taylor Post 21 of the American Legion and attended countless ballgames watching his sons. He enjoyed gardening, Velven shared his abundant produce with friends. He also loved his dogs and could be seen walking one around town. His other hobbies included golfing and bowling.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife, Mary Ann (Taylor) York.

He is survived by his children, Leisa Hartley (Jimmy Hartley) of Lizella, Georgia, Sherrian McAnn (Ralph) Fuentes of San Antonio, Texas, Velven (Jack) York III of Spokane, Washington, and David (Rhonda) York of Leavenworth, Kansas. He will be missed by his grandchildren, Chuck Hartley, Amanda McAnn, Taylor York, and Emma York; and his great-grandchildren, Diane Gomez and Joseph Medellin.

A Visitation will be held Tuesday evening, March 30th from 6 to 7 PM at the Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca.

The funeral service is Wednesday March 31, 2021 at 11 AM at Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca. Following the service, internment will be at the Seneca City Cemetery, with military honors.

Memorial are for the United Methodist Church of Seneca, sent in care of the family.

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