



Urcell Gene Cochran

Urcell Gene Cochran, age 80, of Moran, Kansas passed away Friday, July 14, 2017 at Allen County Regional Hospital.

Gene was born July 27, 1936 in Viola, Arkansas to James Harold and Bircha Mae (Dawson) Cochran as the second of six children. He graduated from Salem High School in 1954. He then moved to Kansas City to play baseball for the Kansas City A's minor league team. He married Luella Houk on January 29, 1956 in Viola, AR. They were blessed with three children. Lou preceded him in death on August 24, 1996. After finishing his baseball career, he returned to Kansas City to work for General Motors. In 1973, he moved with his family to Moran, Kansas, where he

jointly purchased the Moran Lumber Yard. Later he was self-employed as a brick mason. His greatest joy was spending time with his family. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, gardening, and reading. He had a great passion for baseball, especially watching the St. Louis Cardinals.

Gene is survived by his three daughters, Genette McVey and husband, Chris, of Coffeyville, Kansas, Annette Cole and husband, Chris, of Moran, and Lori Amble and husband, Gary, of Shawnee, Kansas; seven grandchildren, Christal, Aaron, Shalawnda, Cassidy, Kirsten, Scottie, and Tyler; nine great grandchildren; siblings, Don and Betty Cochran, Barbara Poulson, Mickey and Peggy Cochran, Ray Bob and Shana Cochran, Joan Cochran, inlaws, Marilyn and Bill May, Nancy and Wayne Chandler, and Ruth and Dave Spangler, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lou, his parents, a brother, Wes Cochran, brother in law Scottie Poulson, and in laws Mary Ellen and Joe Chalker.

Gene's family would like to express sincere gratitude to Melissa Andres and Tammy Snyder for their diligent care for him during his last days on earth.

The funeral service will be 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at the Moran Christian Church in Moran. Visitation will be the evening prior from 6:00 to 8:00 at Feuerborn Family Funeral Service in Moran. Burial will follow the service in Moran Cemetery. Contributions in his memory are suggested to the Moran Public Library for their new building fund. Condolences for the family can be left at www.feuerbornfuneral.com.