



Fred Junior Anderson Sr.

April 22, 1941 - March 10, 2021

Fred "Freddie" Junior Anderson Sr. was born April 22, 1941 in Lacygne, Linn County Kansas. He was age 79 when he passed from death to life on March 10, 2021 at the Kansas City, Missouri Veterans Hospital. Fred and his wife Irene "Bunny" Lee Anderson (Heineken) were married in Miami, Oklahoma on December 17, 1974. Fred graduated from Wyandotte High School in 1960 shortly after graduating from high school he was inducted into the Army. He went to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri for Basic Training and Fort Benning, Georgia for Advanced Military Training. He was a sergeant in the Army 82nd Airborne division in Fort Bragg North Carolina as he would say, "Jumping out of perfectly good airplanes." He was honorably discharged from the Army in 1966. He was a member of the American Legion Quindaro Post 199. He was also a part of the Kaw Valley Jaycees in which he received awards. He worked on the Police Reserves before deciding to be a firefighter permanently. He joined the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department in 1967. He served on the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department for 35 years retiring in 2003. After retiring as a firefighter he continued to be a part of the firefighter family continuing to work with the Kansas City, Kansas Firefighter Relief Association as Chairman of the ball, selling firefighter ball tickets, in which he had great love for. He received The Fred Anderson Lifetime Achievement Award which was named after him as well as The Kansas City, Kansas Fire Department Public Service Award. He also volunteered for Friends of the Kaw cleaning up Kaw Point Park. He was a lifelong avid antiques collector and owner of The

Anderson's General Store. He enjoyed going to thrift stores, garage sales, setting up at antique booths such as Fabulous finds and on the weekends at the City Market in Kansas City, Missouri as well as various mall shows in the past. And as he would say, "He who dies with the most junk wins!" He won! He was a hard worker that provided for his family and was always doing something. His work ethic started young when he would sell Henry field seeds, religious plaques for \$1.00 as well as selling the Sportscenter Magazines at the stadiums for Harry Kehoe who mentored him. He enjoyed telling jokes, socializing and making friends everywhere he went. He always looked at the positive in life and had a smile on his face even at the end of his life. The day he died he said he was wanting to go be with Jesus and was even smiling at death when family was at his side. He was at peace. In honor of his life, enjoy your life. Please consider making a contribution to the Kansas City Kansas Firefighter Relief Association in honor of Fred Anderson.

Freddie is preceded in death by his father, Fred Edward Anderson; sister in law Linda Diane Heineken; brother Billy Anderson; and half sibling, Paul Anderson. He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Bunny Anderson; children, Frederick Joseph Anderson, David Lee Gardner, Fred Junior Anderson Jr., Bunny Irene Redwood (Anderson), John Dwayne Anderson; adopted daughters Diane Renee Flo Lockridge (Anderson) and Cathy Michelle Joyner (Anderson) children born to sister-in-law Linda Diane Heineken who preceded him in death; grandchildren, Kane Bryant Anderson, Zion Alexander Redwood, and Israel Alexandria Redwood were his pride and joy; mother, Edith Lilian (Gilford) Anderson; siblings, Edward Anderson, Larry Anderson (Gail); half siblings Kathy Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Chester Lewis, David Bravard; and a host of Nieces and Nephews.

He will be honored at 7's fire station, 2717 Strong Ave, Kansas City, KS 66106, at 1:00 PM May 22, 2021.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 22. 1:00 PM (CT)

Kansas City Fire Department Station 7
2717 Strong Ave
Kansas City, KS 66106

Tribute Wall



“ *Fred Junior Anderson Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Fred Junior Anderson Sr.*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Fred was a joy to know. Shared many a laugh with him at City Market while he sold his wares.*

John Fogarty,Jr. - March 14, 2021 at 04:14 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Fred's passing. So much fun to meet him at City Market, and just have a great bunch of laughs. My dad called Keogh junior after Harry Keogh late rassling promoter, he taught Fred his superior sales skills! God bless. John Fogarty,Jr.*

John Fogarty,Jr. - March 13, 2021 at 12:08 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Fred Anderson was such a loving and kind person. There was never a time that I saw him he did not have a smile on his face. I feel so blessed to be able to call him my friend. When I opened A Fabulous Find Fred was one of my first vendors. Through all these years he has been a shining star at my store. I know he stayed because he loved buying and selling antiques but I also know he stayed because he cared so much about all of us at the mall. I was very fortunate to have attended the firefighters ball on several occasions. He spent so much of his time looking out for others. This world was a better place because Fred Anderson was born. I am so sad to know that I will never have the joy of seeing his great smile again but I know that he will always be remembered because he was loved by many. Again I am so sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. All my best Sharon Choikhit.

Sharon Choikhit - March 13, 2021 at 02:24 AM

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“ So sorry for your family's loss. I knew Fred from being married to John fogarty jr for years. Fred was so funny and so caring. I loved going into his general store on Minnesota ave and dickering with him to pay a lower price for something I wanted to buy. He laughed so hard it was such fun. He will be missed.

Natalie Durkin - March 12, 2021 at 04:18 PM

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“ Fred , Thankyou for being my friend. Please rest well. Dick Whitaker

Dick Whitaker - March 12, 2021 at 02:02 PM

PB

“ so sorry to hear about your loss, he will be missed, i am so glad i got to know and work with fred at station 14 we had good times and bad ,when i think of him it makes me smile, i know hes looking down at us wanting to bet a sody, flea

phillip g billington - March 12, 2021 at 10:58 AM

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“ Dear Daddy,

I am still trying to wrap my head around what has just happened. I tried to fight so hard, making sure the doctors and nurses did everything but you didn't want that. I wanted to take care of you. You said you wanted to go home to be with Jesus. Wow! You are so brave! The doctors and nurses said so many wonderful things about you. They were crying. You impacted so many and planted Jesus name on their ears. When they did your honor walk everyone was there. We had to wait for your march because there was a patient who wanted out of bed to honor you. As they marched with the American flag on you that man was there saluting you even in his sickness. There was so many saluting you. My heart is missing a important peice but everyday I look in the mirror pieces of me remind me of you and continue to live on in me and my children. You always said I had the Anderson chin and so much more. It was a honor to be with you by your side at the end of your earthly life as you were there for me at the beginning of my life. You voiced clearly that you were ready to be with Jesus and was at complete peace with what was happening. I know God was in that room and so were the angels surrounding you and us. When I told you I wanted to tie a balloon to you that reaches heaven you looked straight at me and said I will be watching you from heaven. I hope I make you proud even though in heaven you will not be burdened to know sorrow, sadness or suffering. I miss all of our time together and will miss future activities that will not include you in them. You taught me to not worry about things. You said " Life has no guarantees." I WILL see you again. I know you and grand pa pa are joking around right now. I know you are rejoicing now. Happy New Birthday! God is the maker of us all and he is in control. I love you daddy! Your forever daughter, Bunny

Bunny Redwood - March 12, 2021 at 07:26 AM