



## Gary Dee Frank

July 10, 1946 - August 12, 2025

Gary Dee Frank (K.C Kid) was born in Polk Missouri on July 10, 1946. In Polk, he started 1st grade and then the family moved to Kansas City, Kansas in 1952. He attended Columbia Grade School and Rosedale High School, graduating in 1964. He was well liked in school and joined the Spanish Club. He became fluent in the language and had many bilingual friends.

He was good with his hands and could fix anything.

He worked as a hot carrier for the bricklayers and as a mechanic in Argentine after high school until in 1968 he had a bad motorcycle accident.

He then went to heavy equipment school in Beloit and became proficient at operating all the big riggs.

He moved to Gunnison, Colorado and started a construction company for a few years before returning to Kansas City and landing a job as a Crane Oiler at Belger Carthage Local Union 101. He received many compliments on his work and several awards for safety and good work. He loved to reminisce about helping at the old KCI Terminal, Indian Springs Mall, Crown Center, as well as the big screen at the Royals/Chiefs stadium in the '70s.

His love for animals never went unrecognized. He believed his spirit animal would be an Eagle.

He earned his Eagle wings at home, where he wanted to be, on August 12, 2025 at 4:20pm after a brief battle with cancer. His family will always remember him for his selflessness and willingness to help anyone.

He loved his family no matter what...never judging a soul. He was survived by his 3 siblings, 3 children, 8 grandkids, and 2 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents his brother and 2 grandkids.

Fly high sweet man! You will be missed.

His moto in life was "I am who I am and that's all that I am"

~POPEYE~

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 31. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Fraternal Order of Eagles  
4726 Merriam Dr.  
Shawnee, KS 66203

# Tribute Wall

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“ Clifford and Janet Frank, Genda Hayes purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gary Dee Frank.



Clifford and Janet Frank, Genda Hayes - August 26, 2025 at 12:52 PM

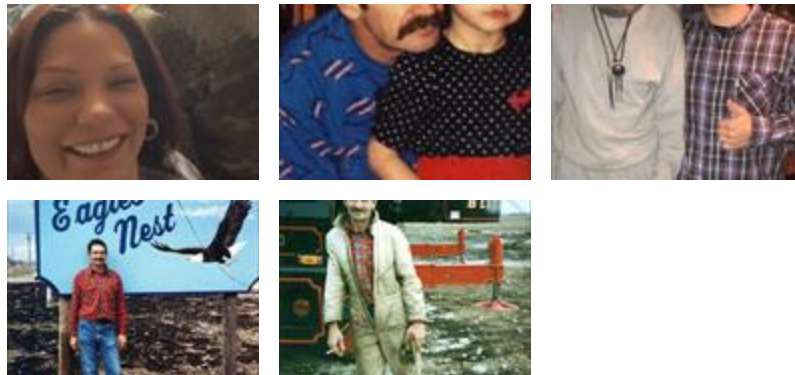
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“ Sorry to hear about Gary . He was always an upbeat guy.

Connie Owens - August 20, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ 16 files added to the album Memories Album



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 15, 2025 at 05:08 PM

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*I hadn't seen Gary in many years. We ran around together when we were younger. We had some good times. Larry Degraffenreid*

Larry Degraffenreid - August 18, 2025 at 09:00 PM

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*I remember my uncle Gary as a rebel of the family. He had a stride of coolness. I remember he had an el Camino, I think it was black and everyone once in a while he would pop in and surprise my cousins and I at my grandmas house after school. He would gather us up and take us to the Dairy Queen to get dilly bars, and to give grandma Naomi a much needed break from all of us kids. He intimidated me as I was a shy kid, however, he was one of the coolest men I knew. I wish I would have had the chance to know him better. Rest in Peace Uncle Gary 💜*



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**Kathryn OHara** - August 27, 2025 at 05:26 PM