



Robert G. (RG) Odell III

November 20, 1962 - July 29, 2019

After a protracted battle with cancer, Mr. Robert Glen “RG” Odell III, passed away on July 29, 2019 in Lee’s Summit, Missouri at the age of 56. He leaves behind his daughter, Erica Odell and son Branden Arnold, also of Lee’s Summit, Missouri.

RG was born on November 20, 1962 in Kansas City, Missouri to Robert G. Odell Jr., of Kansas City, Missouri and Shirley J. (De Lapp) Odell of Overland Park, Kansas. RG grew up with one sister, Tracie. RG attended Shawnee Mission South High School then went on to attend The University of Kansas where he studied Engineering. RG was a self-employed utility contractor in the Kansas City area for the past thirty years.

When RG was diagnosed with kidney cancer in 2017, he remained dedicated to his work and diligent in his will to fight. He remained a brave, iron-willed man throughout his final months.

RG was a devout father and an avid fan of his children. He enjoyed watching them during their various sporting events and cherished their time together as they traveled the United States.

RG is survived by his parents, children, as well as his sister, Tracie (Tony) Clark, of Prairie Village, KS; his Aunt Patricia De Lapp, of Overland Park, KS;

his Aunt Kathleen (Charles) Schmeltekopf of Carrollton, TX; his Aunt June Bonjour, of Lenexa, KS; his Uncle Theodore "Barbara" Odell, Lenexa, KS; five cousins, two nieces and two nephews, and one great niece and one great nephew.

RG leaves a host of friends to mourn the loss of a good man, one who could always be looked to as an example of a true friend and devoted father. A memorial visitation will be held at Maple Hill Funeral Home on Sunday, August 4th from 3-5pm, followed by a Celebration of Life service. RG will be interred at the family plot in Johnson County Memorial Gardens.

The family would especially like to thank St. Luke's Hospital physicians and nurses for their utmost care and compassion; Lee's Summit Pointe residents and caregivers, for their constant, attentive treatment; Kansas City Hospice and Palliative Care team for their loving care and commitment; and Maple Hill Funeral Home, for making the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Erica Odell, by sending your check to 4380 SW Creekview Dr., Lee's Summit, MO 64082 for her educational needs.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG 4. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert G. (RG) Odell III*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 01, 2019 at 04:54 PM



A great man, father, friend and fan of lacrosse. I will miss him. Glad we were able to spend lots of time together. Love from the Ehrich's and the KC lacrosse community.

Dennis Ehrich - August 02, 2019 at 08:18 AM



Wow so sad to hear this. We lost touch after hockey but i always remember you as a good guy, good teammate. I have this memory of you kidding people with your loud voice and laugh. RIP brother

Scott Lawder - August 10, 2019 at 10:31 PM



“ *Robert G. (RG) Odell III*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Robert G. (RG) Odell III*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM

SG

“ I am in total shock to just learn of his passing. Our family loved and respected this man for the last 30 plus years. We have had so many memories (birthdays, Christmas, hockey) and yet so stunned that I can not express to his family how sorry I am for your lost. Wish we had know sooner. He will always be in our hearts a kind and generous man. So glad to have know you.

Sandra Gerlt - December 06, 2021 at 12:47 PM

SG

“ Erica I am so sorry, I just found out about your dad, He was a good person.

Stephanie Goldberg - September 06, 2019 at 02:01 PM

GM

“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Gary McElwain - August 06, 2019 at 11:59 AM

JN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



John Nowachek - August 04, 2019 at 09:52 PM

JB

“ RG, sorry we lost touch. I miss the 4wheel drive days. I am sorry for everyone's loss. J

John (jay) Brehaney - August 04, 2019 at 01:27 PM

KS

“ RG, this is the last thing I'd ever imagine doing -- writing a memory note in your obituary. My memories consist of you and Patrick and Timothy and Tracie running in and out of the house on Mackey -- giggling and yelling nonstop. And ours visits when we'd come from Texas to spend time with family at Christmas. Mimi always cooking up something good. The house oozing with love. Will never forget you then and the man you became. You will be missed -- in Texas as well as Kansas. Love and prayers to your mom and your children and entire family.

Aunt Kathi, Uncle Chuck and Pat & Tim

Kate Schmeltekopf - August 03, 2019 at 11:43 AM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 02, 2019 at 11:39 AM

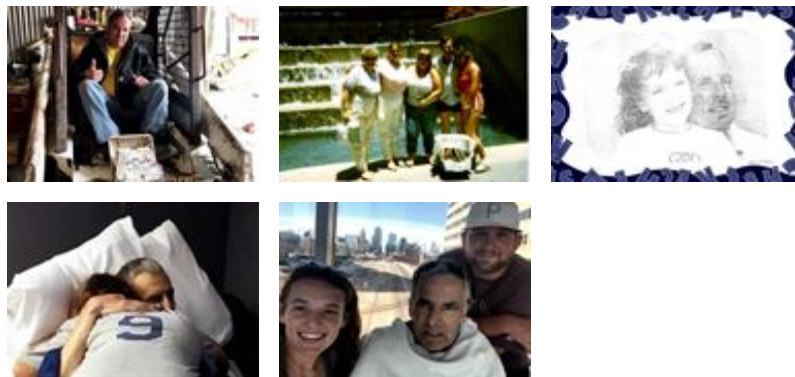
LH

“ Great memories of RG and drumming summer camps and then swimming at OP pool! Sorry we lost touch over the years. Young and sassy is how I will remember him. Prayers for those he has left behind.

Linda Hanefeld - August 01, 2019 at 06:47 PM



“ 57 files added to the album Life Tributes



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 01, 2019 at 04:41 PM

MA

“ R.G. Odell was a drummer, like me, and we were good buddies when we first met during summer band at Shawnee Mission South [we were still in jr. high at Indian Creek (me) and Nallwood (R.G.).] Just thinking about him, now, after all these years, again reinforces the message, "happy days are never gone, they're always joys to look back on"! RIP, ol' buddy! I'm glad I knew you, and I wish we would have stayed in touch since SMS!

Mike Agron - August 01, 2019 at 02:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert G. (RG) Odell III.*



August 01, 2019 at 01:00 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert G. (RG) Odell III.*



August 01, 2019 at 10:07 AM



“ *I remember the first time I met RG. We were doing a school function with our kids making pizza. We had such a great time doing this together with Erica and Michael. RG you did a fine job with Erica and you will be missed!!*

Becky E. - July 31, 2019 at 02:23 PM