



## Gerald Aubry Kopp

July 20, 1932 - August 11, 2012

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Gerald "Jerry" Kopp, age 80, of Jonesboro, passed away, August 11, 2012. Mr. Kopp was a developer and builder and owned Kopp Corporation. He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1972. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross while flying in Vietnam. Mr. Kopp was also an Eagle Scout while in the Boy Scouts. He was preceded in death by his parents; Clarence and Letha Jones Kopp. He is survived by his wife; Jean Lewis Kopp, children; Gregory (Karen) Kopp, Steven (Lisa) Kopp, brothers; Larry Kopp, John (Jeanie) Kopp, Richard (Veronica) Kopp, Michael Kopp, sister; Nancy Stultz, grandchildren; Steven (Samantha) Kopp, Danielle (Matt) Sargent, Brandon Kopp, great grandchildren; Dustin, Carley, Aubrey, Kale, Truin, and his beloved cat; Cassie. Funeral services will be held, Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at 3 PM in the chapel of Ford-Stewart Funeral Home. Gene Hill will officiate. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery, December 7, 2012 at 9 AM with full military honors. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 from 6-8 PM at the funeral home. Honorary bearers are: Christian Schultz, Ron Jones, Mark Herbert, Allen Richardson, John Childs, David Johnson, Todd Fallaw, Peter Richard, Gene Barber, Randy Erway, Robert Friar, and Joe Hopwood In lieu of flowers make contributions to the V.U. Foundation Fund, Kopp Family Fund, 1002 North 1st St. Vincennes, IN 47591 in memory of Gerald "Jerry" Kopp, Boy Scouts of America or the Salvation Army.



# Tribute Wall

VS

“ *Our deepest and heartfelt sympathies to you in your time of loss. Please let us know if we can be of service.*

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**Vincennes University Alumni and Foundation Staff** - August 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *Jerry was an admired and respected builder and the quality of his work could not be matched He touched many lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

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**Mr and Mrs James Dorough** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy and prayers. I came to know Jerry when I work for Clayton County. He was always one of my favorites when he came into the office. His presence filled the room along with his smile.*

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**Lisa Henderson** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Steven, Greg & family, I am very sorry for the loss of your dad. I grew up next door to Clarence & Marge. I was best friends with Mike's daughters & would have play dates with Laura, Veronica's daughter. I spent so much time with Clarence & Marge I felt like another grandchild sometimes. I have such wonderful memories of playing office with Melissa at the business, eating dinner at Clarence's house, and when his sons would visit. I remember when Steven & Greg would come visit. I always felt like family & was treated like family. My parents were very close to Clarence & Marge. So thank you to the many generations of Kopps who helped provide me with wonderful, colorful memories to draw upon for a lifetime. You'll never know how much each of you mean to me. Jean, I'm so sorry for your loss. If there's one thing I remember it was how much your husband loved you. You are all in my thoughts & prayers. My mom, Mrs. Ann Lawson, sends her prayers & deepest sympathies as well. Stay strong & lean on each other during this difficult time. May God bless you and keep you. Teresa Lawson Hufnagel, John, Emily, & Rachel Hufnagel and Ann Lawson (widow of Dr. Homer Lawson)

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**Teresa Lawson Hufnagel** - August 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Jerry will continue to live through the many he touched. His love of his family should inspire us all, as it has me.

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**Jim Jones & Family** - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Uncle Jerry I know will be missed by many. I will never forget how kind he was to me and Aunt Jean I'm so sorry for you losing your best friend, he will always watch over you. God bless and a hug love Michelle and Russ and kids.

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**Michelle Lewis pierce** - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *What fun we have had with such a great guy! So glad we "touched shoulders with You"*

*Jerry was a wonderful man who loved Jean deeply. We sincerely admired their devotion to each other.*

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**john and emily Childs** - August 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Jerry was a great American, he lived the dream. Jerry was our friend for a long time and he will be missed. Jean you are in our prayers .please be strong and remember you are loved.*

*Mark and JoAnn Herbert*

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**Mark and JoAnn Herbert** - August 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM