



Greg Richard Carlisle

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In Loving Memory of Greg Richard Carlisle

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Greg Richard Carlisle passed away on December 13, 2024, at the age 77 after a long battle with an undiagnosed illness. Greg was a cherished husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend.

Born on July 10, 1947 in Joplin, MO, he lived in Baxter Springs, KS for the first 6 years of his life. He then moved to East Texas where he developed a lifelong love for baseball, bird hunting, and fishing. In 1958, he moved to Lansing, IL where he would meet the love of his life. Greg went on to study at Valparaiso University. He worked for Wick's Lumber in Orangeburg for 6 years until the company closed its doors. In 1982, Greg took a job at Kawneer where his dedication and integrity earned him the respect of colleagues and clients alike.

Greg's greatest joy was his family. He is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Jennie Carlisle, two daughters, Courtney Blankenship (Michael) and Katie Jett (Jason), three brothers, James Carlisle (Cynthia), Jack Carlisle (Angela), and David Carlisle (Cindy), eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren, Reese Blankenship (Katie), Ashley Hildebrand, Blake Boone (Hawanya), Harthe Blankenship (Madison), Jacob Blankenship, Garrett Blankenship, Ava Jett, Jackson Jett, Lucas Boone, and Ellison Hildebrand. Greg's family was the heart of his world, and he found happiness in every moment shared with them. Greg is preceded in death by his parents, Herman

and Vera Carlisle, and his only son, Nathan Carlisle.

Greg, also known as Pop Pop, was a grandfather figure to many children. He shared his love of baseball with the community by coaching Little League for several years. He later went on to umpire for Dixie Youth softball and baseball until his body would no longer let him.

Known for his quick wit and long stories, Greg enjoyed meeting new people and running into old friends. He had a way of keeping people engaged in conversations. He took pride in his gift of gab by working part time at Ott's Funeral Home to help comfort families after they lost loved ones. In his later years his favorite activity was walking his little frou frou dog around town to visit with the people. His legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. A celebration of Greg's life will be held on December 19, 2024 at Branchville Christian Church at 4:00pm. His family will receive friends and guests at 3:00pm. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks for donations to be made to Ott Funeral Home in his memory.

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ *In memory of Greg.*

Love, Russ and Judy - December 18, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ *We were greatly saddened to learn of Greg's passing. He was very influential in our lives and we will always remember Greg and Jennie with a smile, affection and our Match Maker. Our condolence to Jennie and all the family.*



Love, Russ (Greg knew me as "Trees) & Judy DeForest

Russ & Judy DeForest - December 18, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *Jennie, I am so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of you and Gregg when y'all served as youth leaders at Double Branch. He was an amazing man and he will be greatly missed. Praying for peace and comfort for you and your family 🙏*

Terri Nettles Whetstone - December 18, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ *My condolences to the family. A beloved friend. Always greeted me with a smile and a hug
Greg it is my privilege to have known you.
Love to all of you.*

Tracy Puckett

Tracy Puckett - December 17, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ We knew both Jenny and Greg from Valpo. Had many, many great times. Ron was in the same fraternity as Greg and they made many memories. We are so sorry for his loss and are sending our prayers to Jenny and his family.

Love,
Ron and Pat Fisher

Ron and Pat Fisher - December 16, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Ott Funeral Home

A Memorial Tree was planted for Greg Richard Carlisle - December 16, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I'll never forget the kindness and patience he had for young athletes and the countless hours he spent working with them. His encouragement meant so much to so many young boys He not only taught them the game of baseball , he taught them life lessons that they still remember today. He was such a great man and always so kind and friendly. My thoughts and prayers are with all his family as they navigate the days and years ahead without his presence. May you find peace in knowing others share your pain.

Amy Jennings Smith & family

Amy Smith - December 16, 2024 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Mr. Carlisle was a great cheerleader for all his grandchildren and their friends. Prayers for you all as you navigate through the sadness. Timmy and Brenda Berry*



Brenda Berry - December 16, 2024 at 12:00 AM