



Gerald L. Coffman

February 22, 2019

Coffman, Gerald L. "Jerry"

age 90, formerly of Hopkins, passed away Feb. 22, 2019.

Preceded in death by sister, Viola McLellan (Don).

Survived by siblings, Victor (Ethel), Lyle, Lois Bouchie; many nieces and nephews.

He was the Minneapolis Director for the Hi-C Christian Fellowship for 14 years, and was an active volunteer for several different ministries. He will also be remembered for his passion of gardening.

Funeral service 10:30 AM, Mon., Mar. 4, with visitation one hour prior at Rice Creek Bible Chapel, 8801 Rice Lake Road, Maple Grove. Interment Fort Snelling.

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Hillside Chapel 612-781-1999

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Rice Lake Bible Chapel
8801 Rice Lake Road
Maple Grove, MN 55369

Church Service

MAR 4. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jerry you were a great person in my heart I love you forever I'm sorry that I didn't go to your funeral but I'll never forget about you

arico chansina - December 16, 2019 at 10:27 PM

KV

“ Jerry was an amazing man of God! Reading through all the memories that others had of him is very similar to mine. He loved the Laotian community and would spend quality time with all the kids. Whether that be playing board games, going swimming at the lake and picking up donuts. He absolutely had a heart of gold and was extremely patient with all of us. I have so many memories of gatherings in our home. We would enjoy dinner together and playing board games throughout the night with him until 1-2am. He would drive us everywhere we needed to be. Exposing us to the Christian radio and praying before we ate, he eventually instilled Christ into my life. The seed of Christ was absolutely planted by him. I was so young and didn't realize how much of an impact he had on me. He taught me that service to others and the love of Christ is what truly matters in life. You will always have a special place in my heart Jerry. You are home with the Lord now. Rest In Peace ❤️

Kristie Vongkhamchanh - March 13, 2019 at 12:29 PM



Jerry
Jibbs

“ Jerry is was great to see you one more time. You were a true gentleman. An unbiased man who open his heart to the Lao community. A man that plays the piano and the accordion, who would play from his heart and mind. Jerry would always be down to play board games but would always want to play Uno, and could play for hours. Jerry never had the best cars, those cars that he had would either have a flat tire, would overheat or have some type of electrical issues. Jerry would be more than willing to take us anywhere, either to the Mall of America or the state fair, he would take us. For some reason, I noticed that Jerry would always take the back roads and would never get on the highway. I remember helping him pick up donuts from a bakery in south Minneapolis and we would deliver these donuts all over the city. The most hilarious thing that Jerry would do is stick his finger into a donut, then lick his finger before picking it up and handing that donut over to someone. Jerry take care, you're in a better place now and you will be remembered.

Jerry Jibbs - March 04, 2019 at 02:33 PM



“ I am really saddened to hear of his passing. For the past couple of years, I have been looking for him but was unable to reconnect with Jerry. He was such huge part of my childhood and he did so much for the Laotian community in general. He was a man of God and a man convicted in his faith. He taught me the value of service to others. I remember picking up donuts that were to be thrown out and Jerry and I would deliver them to families he knew that were in need. Another great memory I had was volunteering at the Gospel Mission with him. We served the homeless and other at risk populations. I didn't know it then but because of him, I now know the value of service and humility. To that end, I believe he has instilled these values to many he has touched over so many years. "The true meaning of life is to plant trees, under whose shade you do not expect to sit". I think of Jerry when I read those words. I will miss him and his accordion. You were called to serve, now you have been called home...thank you Jerry for being a part of my life.

Jacob Sisombath - March 03, 2019 at 11:47 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Ron Middlestaedt - March 01, 2019 at 02:37 PM

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“ *McLellan, Stephenson and Hanson families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gerald L. Coffman.*



McLellan, Stephenson and Hanson families - March 01, 2019
at 11:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gerald L. Coffman.*



February 28, 2019 at 10:20 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gerald L. Coffman.*



February 27, 2019 at 10:55 AM

KS

“ Jerry was a VERY GREAT CHRISTIAN MAN OF GOD. He used to pick up ALOT of Lao kids to church, trips, rollergardens rollerskating and eat noodles and games at his house and did EVERYTHING for us. Took him to his favorite place a few yrs back to his favorite buffet Old Country Buffet he was very thankful me my brother and friend said NO thank you. This is NOTHING compared to what u did for us. I was just looking him up to get his phone number to see if he would like to go eat OCB this sat. And saw this 😞😞😞😞 my heart is sad and hurts for his family. 1 of the MOST humble man I've ever and will EVER know. RIH JERRY LOVE U SIR.

Kaloun senevisai - February 26, 2019 at 10:53 AM

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Thanking God for a dear uncle who brought music, joy, games and laughter to our family gatherings.

Kathy Stephenson - March 01, 2019 at 11:35 AM