

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

*2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for his name's sake.*

*4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.*

*5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.*

*6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*



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A LIFE REMEMBERED



JEROLD ARTHUR
KNOTTS SR.

MARCH 11, 1941
JUNE 2, 2025



Jerold Arthur Knotts Sr.

Jerold Arthur Knotts Sr., 84, of Sedalia, MO, passed away on Monday, June 2, 2025, at Bothwell Regional Health Center.

He was born on March 11, 1941, in Clarksburg, WV, the son of Ona Arthur Knotts and Esther (Hoffman) Knotts, who preceded him in death.

On December 17, 1961, in Rowlesburg, WV, Jerold was united in marriage to the love of his life, Betty Jo Knotts, who survives him at home.

A 1959 graduate of Rowlesburg High School, Jerold proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1959 to 1967. During his eight years of honorable service, he completed three deployments to the Mediterranean aboard the aircraft carrier USS *Forrestal*.

Following his military service, Jerold furthered his education at Antelope Valley College in Lancaster, CA, where he earned a degree in HVAC. He then enjoyed a 25-year career with Lockheed Aircraft, where he contributed to the development of groundbreaking aircraft such as the L-1011, SR-71, U-2, and F-117. He retired as a Flight Line Supervisor.

Jerold was a devoted member of Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Marshall, MO. He cherished time with his family and especially loved working on classic cars with his son, Jerold Jr.

In addition to his wife, Betty Jo, he is survived by two children, Jerold A. Knotts Jr. (Robin) of Sedalia, and Dawn L. Chiachi (Steve) of Cedar City, UT; four grandchildren, Brianna, Kayleigh, Nicholas, and Amanda; and two great-grandchildren, Madysen and Riley.

He was also preceded in death by his brother, Randy Knotts.

Graveside Service

1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Crown Hill Cemetery

Sedalia, MO

Officiant

Pastor Randy Shannon

Military Honors

United States Navy

VFW Post #2591

Special Music

“Amazing Grace”

Memorial Contributions

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