

*In Loving Memory of Our Brother
We Thought of You Today*

*We thought of you today,
But that is nothing new.
We thought of you yesterday
And will tomorrow too.*

*We think of you in silence
And make no outward show
For what it meant to lose you
Only those who love you know.*

*Remembering you is easy
We do it every day.
It's the heartache of losing you
That will never go away.*



*Clyde Russell
Ratramel*

October 10, 1953

December 24, 2024

Clyde Russell Rotramel

Clyde Russell Rotramel, 71, of Smithton, MO, passed away on Tuesday, December 24, 2024, at his home. He was born on October 10, 1953, in Humansville, MO, the son of Azel Rotramel and Ethel (Russell) Rotramel, who preceded him in death.

On May 4, 1996, in Sedalia, MO, in the left turn lane of Highway 50 in front of Double D express, he was united in marriage to Candy J. Spears, who resides in the home.

Clyde served his country honorably in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He worked at Gardner-Denver in General Maintenance. Clyde enjoyed traveling the country with his wife, Candy, on his motorcycle. He enjoyed going to the beach. Clyde found comfort in the outdoors, fishing, feeding the deer, hunting, bird watching and admiring the B-2 Stealth Bombers flying over his home. Clyde had a talent of turning vacant land into a scenic and tranquil place to retire.

Clyde was a unique soul who had an extraordinary gift for transforming the mundane into the magnificent. His keen eye for beauty allowed him to see potential where others saw only flaws. Whether it was in his garden, his home, or the lives of those around him, Uncle Clyde had a remarkable ability to turn the ugly into something beautiful.

Clyde was not just an artist of the physical world; he was also a master of relationships. He had a way of making everyone feel special, valued, and understood. He offered a listening ear and a warm smile, creating a safe haven for family and friends to share their joys and sorrows.

As we gather to celebrate his life, we remember the countless memories we shared with him, the lessons he taught us about resilience and beauty, and the love that he poured into every moment. Clyde showed us that retirement is not merely a time to rest but an opportunity to cultivate beauty in every corner of our lives.

Though he may no longer be with us, his spirit will forever inspire us to find the beauty in our own lives and to cherish the moments we have. Rest in peace, dear Uncle Clyde. You will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

In addition to his wife, Clyde is survived by a step son Travis Key of Smithton, two nephews, Weldon Clyde Rotramel (Kristy) of Brighton, MO and Allen Carl Rotramel of Bolivar, MO; two grandsons Trenton Rotramel (Samantha) and Xavier Key; a granddaughter, Tiara Williams, Olivia Williams, a great-grandson, Liam Rotramel and a great-granddaughter, Allura Williams; a sister-in-law, Vicki Rotramel; and numerous great nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Clyde was preceded in death by a daughter, Angela Rotramel and a son Caleb Rotramel, and a brother, Carl Rotramel, and a granddaughter, Haley Michelle Rotramel.

Celebration of Life Service

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 9, 2025

Rea Funeral Chapel

Sedalia, MO

Military Honors

United States Air Force

VFW Post #2591

Memorial Contributions

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