Jerry Royce Skelton



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Visitation will be held 5:00pm-8:00pm Thursday, July 10, 2025, at Hennessey Funeral Home in Missouri Valley, IA.

Funeral Service will be held 10:30am Friday, July 11, 2025, at the United Methodist Church in Missouri Valley, IA.

The family invites everyone to join them for a time of lunch and fellowship immediately following the service.

A private burial will be conducted at a later date.

Jerry Royce Skelton received his angel wings on July 7, 2025. Jerry was born in Missouri Valley, Iowa on February 24, 1935, to Ray and Irene Skelton. He was the third of five children: all growing up on the family farm.

Jerry joined the Air Force in 1953 and served

our country for four years. Following his service, he returned to Missouri

valley to work with his Dad as a welder in his Dad's shop. In 1966 he continued

his welding career with PVS in Carter Lake, Iowa until he retired in 1997. Upon

retirement Jerry worked part-time at Hennessey Aman Funeral Home for many years.

Jerry married in 1957 and to that union his

daughter Tammy was born. On June 27, 1970, Jerry married the love of his life,

Nancy Ager, who brought to this union three daughters of her own, Kim, Tracy, and

Chris. With Tammy's blessing, and to honor Jerry for their 25th wedding anniversary,

Nancy's daughters legally adopted Jerry as their father.

Jerry enjoyed dancing, especially with Nancy,

which brought joy to all. Jerry also enjoyed gardening, bowling, golfing and

was an avid Iowa Hawkeye and Detroit Lions fan. Jerry was competitive in all

aspects of life, sometimes causing Nancy to shake her head. He also loved

boating but above all he loved spending time with his family. As Jerry's

eyesight began to fail, Nancy became his personal TV remote control.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Irene Skelton, brother Larry (Pug), sister Delores Weed and granddaughter Erin McHugh.

He is survived by his wife Nancy, daughters

Tammy (Tim) Podraza, Kim (Ron) Riggle, Tracy (Russ) McHugh and Chris (Mike)

Guinan. Fourteen grandchildren and 41 great grandchildren with number 42 on the

way. His siblings; Ronnie Skelton and Virginia Heitz.