



Gerald Nathan Prosize

August 29, 1948 - January 31, 2021

Gerald “Gerry” Nathan Prosize was born August 29, 1948 in East ST Louis, Illinois to Chester and Eileen Elizabeth (Royer) Prosize. Gerry served his country honorably and fought bravely in the Vietnam War with the U.S. Army under Company B, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, in the 25th Infantry Division. Upon being honorably discharged, Gerry worked several jobs in his early years such as working at the railroad, boys’ home, steel mill, and John Deer. He then settled in for a long career with the Government for 32 ½ years supporting commissary systems in both the U.S. and Germany before retiring in 2005. After retirement, Gerry continued working for several years with DieBold until the time of his death. Gerry mentored to both family and friends. He was a man full of passion. Gerry had many passions to include shooting, hunting, guns, bow & arrow, life, exploration, friends, politics, music, long drives, his fur babies, and most notably family. One of his favorite parts of DieBold work was the long drives to different service locations. He found comfort and relaxation in long drives with music bumping and foot tapping. Gerry’s cheeks would light up at any opportunity to share stories about his family. He loved to share stories from being “tricked” into playing checkers with his grandson, teaching his great-grandson the proper way to shoot a bow, the story “coke machine around the corner”, to how deep his love was for his wife and the growth and power that love holds. Gerry was preceded in death by his father, Chester Prosize; mother, Eileen (Royer) Prosize; and sister, Cheryle (Prosize) Strawn. Gerry was survived by his beautiful wife of 39 years, Janice (Duniphan) Prosize; daughter Amy (Prosize) Nugent and her husband, Robert; son, Jeremy Prosize; 3 granddaughters, Ashley (Nugent) Collins and her husband, Steven, Cortney Nugent, and Lacy Nugent; 3 grandsons, Ryan Nugent, Jedikiah Prosize, and Loke Grotting; 2 great-granddaughters, Everleigh Collins and Vienna Nugent; 2 great-grandsons, Landon Kezar and Caspian Collins; as well as his beloved niece, Sherri (Strawn) Johnson and numerous extended family members. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 12, 2021 at the Chester Chapel of J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please honor Gerry by taking a moment of silence and consider your life, is there anyone you need to reconcile with, do you know Jesus. Reconcile your life before it is too late. Condolences may be registered at www.jtmorriss.com.

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J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home - February 12, 2021 at 10:31 AM



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J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home - February 10, 2021 at 11:53 AM



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Sweeney - February 12, 2021 at 07:40 AM



“ Geremy and family, I am sorry that I am just now hearing of Gerald's passing. My condolences. I only met Gerald a couple of times when Geremy and I were at school. My thoughts are with you.



Daniel Reith - May 02 at 12:59 PM



“ I got to know Gerry, through Diebold. I was his security guard. Over the 12 yes of knowing Gerry, I heard many stories of his life., from wars, to daily life. We argued a lot, as he was as stubborn as I was. I was able to share Jesus with him, not religion. For a misplaced yankee, im glad you he was able to make a home. Sweeney

Sweeney - February 12, 2021 at 07:51 AM



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J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home - February 11, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ Gerry was a unique, individual, was glad to have shared 12yrs with him.

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J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home - February 10, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ I met Gerri for the first time in Germany at the Fuerth commissary at a reset in 1981. He was a great American that impressed me from day one. He loved God, family and country! You will be greatly missed! Rest In Peace!

Charlie Dowlen - February 08, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ Jorge Madrigal

I met Gerry some 38 years ago in Germany where we operated neighboring Commissary's in Bavaria. We shared some of the same interests in hunting and snow skiing. Years later our paths crossed again here in Virginia where Gerry introduced me to long range precision shooting which led to years of great times hunting groundhogs and long range competitions. It was the long drives to some of these events where conversations created a wonderful friendship. Gerry was a friend that could be counted on and he always spoke about the love for his family. I will greatly miss my old friend... Rest in peace brother

Jorge Madrigal - February 05, 2021 at 01:25 PM



“ Ger and I met in 1975 working at the commissary in Granite City, outside StL. We quickly became best friends, hunting buddies, shot bows and deer hunted, and enjoyed a lot of the same interests, weekly we talked for hours. I remembered when he met his wife Janice years ago and was so happy. He talked about her all the time . He loves his family deeply and was so proud of them. It made my heart happy to listen to him talk about his family, grandkids, and great grandson. Prayers to his family.

Gary A Bufalo - February 04, 2021 at 03:43 PM



“ Thanks Gary cant wait to see you. He loved you so much.

Janice Prosise - February 04, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ Great knowing and working with you for many years with the TSA and Defense Commissary Agencies. Until we meet again, RIP old friend.

Angel Ramos

AR - February 06, 2021 at 08:43 PM



“ bruce jenkins is following this tribute.

bruce jenkins - February 04, 2021 at 06:29 AM



“ Gerry was one of a kind, never before, never again - I know I speak for all us here at Diebold - We will never forget the machine we called Gerry !

bruce - February 04, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ My deepest sympathy. Used to work with Gerald at DeCA at Fort Lee, Va. Enjoyed working with him on various systems and deployments. He was a very hard worker. Gerald was a very nice and kind man. Thoughts and prayers are with the family. Teri Sorrell

Theresa Sorrell - February 01, 2021 at 10:58 PM



“ Jerry was a good friend, and a brother to me. Jerry would come to my house with a truck load of long guns we would fire rounds down range all day. He had a great knowledge of weapons each time we got together I would learn something new. Jerry was the master of all weapons. Thank you my friend my brother please RIP

Herman w Brown - February 04, 2021 at 08:01 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to Janice and your family. Gerry and I were more like sister and brother, when we were growing up. The he was such a wonderful man, so thoughtful and giving. I know he loved Janice and all of his children, grand and great children he was so proud of all of them. He would tell me how much he loved playing with them. Gerry loved life and I know his family in heaven will be waiting for him. RIP

Linda and Jim Johnson - February 04, 2021 at 08:50 PM



“ Gerry was such a kind, respectful man. I remember buying my first car from him, (a blue firebird). He loved his family so much, and was just a joy to be around. I will miss you, dear cousin. Rest In Peace, and may God bless you and keep you in His loving care.

Ken and Brenda Frerker - February 05, 2021 at 08:37 PM