



Raymond Alan Yarnell

June 24, 1949 - December 18, 2023

Raymond Yarnell (June 24, 1949-December 18, 2023)

Born in Chanute Kansas on June 24, 1949 to Laurel E and Ruth E (Olson) Yarnell. He attended Midway schools and graduated in 1967. From 1968-1969, he served his country fighting in the Vietnam war in the U.S. Army 25th Infantry Division, Tropical Lightning Company, 2-14, then transferring to the Big Red 1, A Troop 3-17, where he was a helicopter observer and door gunner (Rank E-5). He was the recipient of the silver service star for his efforts in combat in Vietnam. After his time in the Army, he pursued his high school sweetheart Marva Runer along with his desire to farm. He began farming with Wayne Ward then farmed independently after Wayne's passing. Raymond also spent time working at Custom Campers and McCoys Lawline, retiring in whole in 2010 due to medical reasons.

On Friday, November 13, 1970, he married Marva Runer. They had two sons, Alan Wayne and Scot Lee, and resided in Buffalo Kansas where they were surrounded by family. He was proud of his family and their accomplishments and proud of his granddaughters, calling Kylee and Alexis (Alan's daughters), "his women". He enjoyed family visits, attending his granddaughter's school functions, and visiting people around the countryside. Raymond was always looking for a jovial conversation just as his father Laurel. He said after Vietnam he "wouldn't worry about the small things in life". During his retirement he found his time spent discussing shortcomings of the government and the Department of Veterans Affairs. He was a lifetime VFW member, a

member of Chanute Post 170 American Legion, and a member of the High Prairie Church.

He was proceeded in death by his parents (Laurel and Ruth Yarnell) and older brother Stephen Yarnell. Survivors include his wife Marva, sons Alan and Scot, granddaughters Kylee and Alexis, siblings Ted and Kathy along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2023, at 2:30 pm at Buffalo Cemetery in Buffalo, Kansas, with military honors by the Chanute Honor Guard. Memorials have been suggested to High Prairie United Methodist Church or First Christian Church in Chanute and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidedefh.com. Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, Kansas 66720.

Cemetery Details

Buffalo Cemetery

North of Buffalo
Buffalo, KS 66717

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC **28**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Buffalo Cemetery
North of Buffalo
Buffalo, KS 66717

Tribute Wall

LS

“ Marva, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Lori Croy Shook

Lori A Shook - January 03, 2024 at 04:34 PM

JC

“ Raymond is in my earliest memories as our families both attended High Prairie Church. One memory I have that best describes Raymond was High School football practice I was a Freshman and he was a Senior. I was receiving for punting practice and Raymond hit me at full speed knocking my helmet off. The coach came running but the first face I saw was Raymond asking me if I was okay. He was highly competitive yet extremely caring. I am fortunate to have known Raymond. My sympathies to Marva and his family.

John Campbell - December 30, 2023 at 12:05 AM

JW

Marva I am so sorry about Raymond but I am just hearing about it Please know my heart is with you

Judith F Whitworth - January 01, 2024 at 09:14 PM

VT

“ Our Brother-in-law Raymond will be missed . He was very thoughtful, always willing to help and support family and friends. Sending hugs and prayers.
Love, Vic, & Terri Runer



Vic, Terri - December 27, 2023 at 10:19 PM

JL

“ *Jane Lake lit a candle in memory of Raymond Yarnell*



Jane Lake - December 27, 2023 at 07:59 PM

CW

“ *Marva, Scot and Alan I am so sorry for your loss. I will miss Raymond. He was so much fun to visit with. My thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort.*

Christina Wimsett - December 24, 2023 at 07:41 PM

KH

“ *Kim Hanson lit a candle in memory of Raymond Yarnell*



Kim Hattter Hanson - December 23, 2023 at 08:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raymond Alan Yarnell.*



December 23, 2023 at 07:04 PM

EK

“ Mr. Raymond was always so kind to us growing up. Alan and myself would play (every sport) in their yard nearly every day that I lived in Buffalo. A ton of childhood memories were made with the Yarnell's and I will always appreciate the time. Sending many prayers during this difficult time.



Eric Kuhn - December 23, 2023 at 11:16 AM

SM

“ Good memories of Raymond at High Prairie and Altoona Midway! Wishing the family prayers.
John & Sue (Baird) Murphy

Sue (Baird) Murphy - December 22, 2023 at 02:15 PM

PC

“ Pam Catterson lit a candle in memory of Raymond Yarnell



Pam Catterson - December 21, 2023 at 09:05 PM