



Jack William Kauzlarich, Jr.

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Jack William Kauzlarich Jr., age 73, of Centerville, formerly of Cincinnati, passed away Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at Golden Age Care Center in Centerville.

Jack was born on December 18, 1950 in Centerville, Iowa, the son of Jack Kauzlarich Sr. and Leona (Starcevich) Kauzlarich. He graduated from Centerville High School with the Class of 1969. Jack was united in marriage to Lorna Jones on December 17, 1979.

He furthered his education, obtaining his associate's degree at Indian Hills Community College. He also attended William Penn University in Oskaloosa, and graduated with his bachelor's degree in Education. Jack enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on February 3, 1970.

He served his country faithfully and proudly. He was a member of a unit of the 3rd Marine Logistics Group that provided support for the Marine Corps tactical ordnance, engineer, motor transport, and communications-electronics equipment, serving in the states and in Okinawa, Japan during the Vietnam War. Jack was honorably discharged on October 29, 1971 from active duty.

Jack was a life-long member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Centerville. He taught high school business education in Newtown Harris, MO, Novinger, MO, and Moravia, IA. He loved teaching. Jack was also a member of the VFW Post#526 and at the Fraternal Order of the Eagles in Centerville.

He signed up for as many volunteer positions as he could. In his free time, he enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and stock car races. Left to honor Jack's memory are his wife of 45 years, Lorna Kauzlarich; his two daughters, Cande (Scott) Batterson and Jill (Johnnie) Stewart; one brother, Michael (Mi Cha) Kauzlarich; four grandchildren, Levi Riddick, Cajun Batterson, Deni Batterson and Cole Russell; two nieces, Trisha Kauzlarich & Jamie (Keith) Glass; as well as several extended family members and friends.



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Jack was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Leona Kauzlarich; and his grandmother, Mary Kauzlarich. Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at Thomas Funeral Home in Centerville with the family greeting friends from 5:00-7:00PM.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00AM, Friday, October 11, 2024 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Centerville with Fr. Ronald Hodges officiating. Burial will follow the service at Oakland Cemetery in Centerville with military rites conducted.

Memorials may be made to the family, to be determined at a later date, and may be mailed to Thomas Funeral Home, ATTN: Kauzlarich Family, 501 North 18th Street, Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.thomasfh.com or www.facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome.



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SS

Seth Sparks posted:

Mr. Kauzlarich was my Marketing teacher my senior year at Moravia. I grew up to spend my life working in marketing, and I still have the textbook that we used. Mr. K was one of my favorite teachers, always bringing his energy and professional discipline into the lessons. I remember class being full of conversation, and Mr. K steering us toward learning in a different way than I was used to. I'm thankful to have gotten to experience him in my life when I did, and will always credit him for being part of what led me down the path of life I've taken. God bless you, Jack.

October 14 at 7:00 PM

RD

Ruth Pauley Lipton Duncan posted:

I remember Jack from the years he spent at Newtown Harris. We were both teachers there. He was friendly, kind, and witty, plus great with the kids. I'm so sorry to see that he has passed. I drove by his house in Cincinnati so many times. I wish I would have stopped to say "hello. remember me?" My sincerest sympathy to his family and friends.

October 13 at 7:00 PM

SF

Sheila Hawk-Foster posted:

So sorry to hear about Jack, he was a great friend

October 12 at 7:00 PM

MS

Matthew Salsberry posted:

He did me like that too Jimmie it was all for the good he didn't mean harm heck he always bragged on you and your brother being so computer smart n learning it all by yourselves

October 11 at 7:00 PM

SM

Sheryl Houser Mortimer lit a candle in honor of Jack.



October 10 at 7:00 PM



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DP

Dimitrious Patlakis posted:

He was one of my teachers, back at school. I will greatly miss him. I only wish I would've seen Jack just one last time, and even apologize for giving him a bit of a hard time, back at school.

October 10 at 7:00 PM

JP

Jerry Power posted:

JUST A GREAT HUMAN BEING AND VETERAN, OUR CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF HIS FAMILY. I'M SORRY I COULDN'T ATTEND HIS VISITATION AN FUNERAL. MAY HE REST IN PEACE!!!!

October 10 at 7:00 PM

PA

Paula posted:

I attended William Penn with Jack. As non-traditional students with unique challenges, Jack was a supportive friend to our group members. He was a great guy!

October 9 at 7:00 PM

MH

Mark Hornaday posted:

Thoughts and prayers! Jack was a really nice guy

October 9 at 7:00 PM

PD

Patsy Dudenhoeffer posted:

Sorry for your loss many memories always in your heartsPatsy Dudenhoeffer

October 9 at 7:00 PM

MS

Mark And Thelma Smothers lit a candle in honor of Jack.

Sorry to hear the passing of Jack, we feel blessed to call him a friend. Although it has been several years since our paths have meet, he will be greatly missed. Lorna and family, you are in our thoughts, our hearts and our prayers.

October 9 at 7:00 PM





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MS

Matthew Salsberry lit a candle in honor of Jack.

Mr k was my teacher in school I was always felt like he didn't like me at first till he explained he knew my father had passed when I was 11 years old right in front of my mother and I so he said matt I wanted to push so you knew your worth, that I wasn't stupid, n I really didn't have a father figure to look up to so he seen that in me and asked of one thing if I would call him after graduation before the family party n graduation party so I did no other teacher or person really cared except my mother n Mr k thank you needs to be more teachers n people like you in this world Rest in Peace my friend....Matthew Salsberry Class of 2000



October 9 at 7:00 PM

RA

Rick M Alexander posted:

So Sorry for your loss.

October 9 at 7:00 PM

RK

Roger Kinnamon posted:

You are pain free now. Rest easy old friend.

October 9 at 7:00 PM

CM

Chris Mcdanel posted:

Prayers for the family

October 9 at 7:00 PM

CC

Carol Eatock Casteel posted:

RIP Jack 🙏

October 9 at 7:00 PM

MC

Michelle Guffey Cairns posted:

Sorry for the families loss. Thoughts and prayers.

October 9 at 7:00 PM



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Wilma Wilson posted:

I'm so sorry, thinking of you all!

October 9 at 7:00 PM



Shandee Girotti posted:

He always made class fun! So sad. 😞

October 9 at 7:00 PM



Melissa Davis posted:

Fond memories of Ski (student nickname) at Adair Co R-I.

October 9 at 7:00 PM



A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Jack William Kauzlarich, Jr. posted:

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Thomas - Centerville

October 8 at 7:00 PM



Kim Shepard Gile posted:

Sorry to hear. David and I had alot of fun with him at IHCC

October 8 at 7:00 PM



Tim Lowe posted:

Jack was a great guy. Prayers for Lorna,Cande,and Jill.

October 8 at 7:00 PM



Janice Grenko posted:

Prayers for the family!

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DM

Dewey Brad Mcconville posted:

So sorry tpo hear this.

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MS

Margie Stewart posted:

Thoughts, prayers and comforts for the family of Jackie! He was a friend, neighbor, husband, father and grandpa! Jackie was a nice guy but he could have a ornery side too. RIP Jackie

October 8 at 7:00 PM

RP

Rob Perry posted:

Praying for the family 🙏🙏🙏

October 8 at 7:00 PM

ST

Sara Tait lit a candle in honor of Jack.

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DL

Dennis & Beverly Sisul Laurson lit a candle in honor of Jack.

We are so sorry to read of Jacks passing. He was one of a kind. Prayers and condolences for Jack and family.

October 8 at 7:00 PM



DL

Dennisandvicky Lawson posted:

Sorry to hear this! Jack was a longtime Cincinnati friend! Thinking of everyone!

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BC

Bethony Cockrum posted:

My heart goes out to Lorna, Jill & family. I thought a lot of Jack. I am so sorry for your loss.

October 8 at 7:00 PM

TD

Tony Deininger posted:

Very sorry to hear about Jack's passing! 🙏

October 8 at 7:00 PM

EP

Ed Pancrazio posted:

Rest in Peace Jack. 🙏 Salute! LR

October 8 at 7:00 PM

JF

Jolene Susin Fadiga posted:

So very sorry to hear this. Condolences to family.

October 8 at 7:00 PM

GM

Gary Masters posted:

Sorry to hear Jack'sp

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SN

Sandy Nab posted:

Sending prayers for the family and friends

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PH

Pat Calhoun Houser posted:

Thoughts and prayers to the family 🙏

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NH

Norman Houser posted:

Rest in peace my old friend. Another class mate taken from us to early. Thoughts and Prayers to the family.

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MS

Mark Stogdill posted:

Always liked jack was a real personality at union carbide plant !

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GM

Gary Masters posted:

Jack was an original Hy Vee guy he will be missed by family and friends He and were going into the Air National Guard until They took the hostages thought and prays go out to LornaandjJill

October 8 at 7:00 PM

CM

Claudia Mccarthy posted:

Thoughts and prayers

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BF

Brenda Brown Fulton posted:

Thoughts and prayers for the family. Had not seen Jack for many years but I sure can remember him from our years growing up in Cincinnati. Always such a friendly nice person

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ES

Etta Smith posted:

Prayers for the family 🙏

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ME

Mary Jo Engle posted:

Such a nice guy ❤️

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SB

Susanne Ballanger posted:

Our thoughts and prayers for the family.

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DP

Deb Peterson posted:

So sorry, he was a nice guy.

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RB

Robert D Broshar posted:

Condolences to the family

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JM

Joyce L. Angaran Mitchell posted:

So sorry to hear Jack was a cool guy

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VB

Vicki Butler posted:

Sorry to hear this, thoughts and prayers for his family.

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SG

Sue Moore Greer posted:

Thoughts & prayers for the family

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MW

Monika Williams posted:

Mr. Kauzlarich was an amazing and memorable teacher. I think of him often and I'm sorry to hear of his passing. My thoughts are with his family. He will be sorely missed.

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NT

Nellie Thomas posted:

Sorry for your loss.

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TL

Tim Lowe posted:

I will always remember the times of going to Kansas City and Iowa City to watch the Royals and Hawkeyes. Also coming over to the house and watching the games and stopping by when Jack was sitting on the porch. He was a great guy and friend.

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KC

Kelly Starchevich Culver posted:

Thoughts and prayers o out to family and friends.

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AR

Andy Robinson posted:

I'm very sorry to hear this Jill.

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TT

Tracy Thomas posted:

So sorry to hear. Out condolences to the family.

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SS

Susan Sacco posted:

Sincere condolences 🙏

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CP

Crystal Peterson posted:

Prayers for the family!

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BL

Brian Lawson posted:

Great people from Cincinnati sorry for the families loss.

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DB

Donna Lee Belloma posted:

Sorry for your loss

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JW

John Alden Wright posted:

Jackie was a good friend from 3rd grade on thru highschool and beyond. I'll miss seeing him when I go to Cincy. May he rest in peace. condolences to his families, and friends. Love you Jackie.

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ME

Melissa Evans posted:

So sorry to hear. Condolences to family

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JR

Jimandcarol Rowan posted:

So sorry to hear about Jack.

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CO

Calvin Ohrt posted:

So sorry for your loss

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JF

Jenny Fuller posted:

Prayers for the family

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JD

Joy A. Davis posted:

Thought and prayers for family

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GB

Ginger Moore Burton posted:

So sorry!

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jack by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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