



John Walter Zehren

August 26, 1951 - September 30, 2018

John Walter (Walt) Zehren passed away September 30, in Tulsa.

Walt was born in Tulsa, OK to James N. and Rosemary Zehren on August 26, 1951. As a child the family lived across the South with stops in MS, LA and AR. The family returned to Oklahoma to reside in Bartlesville where Walt attended Jr. High and graduated Bartlesville Sooner High Class of 1970. He went on to attend OSU in Stillwater and was a Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity member. Following college, Walt moved to Tulsa where he remained and had a successful career as a framing contractor and later a general contractor.

Walt was an outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, bass fishing and golf. He loved the Grand and Hudson Lake area that he referred to as his "Piece of heaven". He was a huge OSU Cowboy fan with a favorite chair that he "had to be in for the Cowboys to win". There are very few Western movies, Andy Griffith Shows or Blues songs that Walt couldn't quote a quip, line or lyric from while in tune or character. Walt loved cold Bud, loud Allman Brother music and jalapenos in and on anything, including Thanksgiving dinner. Walt loved good times with friends and was a genius wit who offered levity in most any situation, (a good many of them not appropriate but still funny)! The Tulsa Sound will miss this ardent follower and proponent of the music!

Walt was the proud father of Austin Zehren and his partner Sarah Knox of Tulsa. Father, James N. and mother, Rosemary K. Zehren preceded Walt in death. Other survivors include: brothers James Roger Zehren of Tulsa, Phillip Zehren and wife Aimee of Raleigh, NC, David (LL) Zehren and wife Janelle of Seminole, OK and sister Janice Dianne Petty of Tulsa. Walt has numerous nieces and nephews and cousins who were special to him. Walt had several lifelong friends who were also "Brothers and Sisters". Debbie Murray Kelsey and Penny Rothschild were special angels to Walt.

Visitation will be held at Moore's Rosewood Chapel on Friday, October 5th from 9:30 am - 10:30 am. Funeral Services will be held at Moore's Rosewood Chapel on Friday, October 5 at 11:00 a.m.

Events

OCT **Viewing** 09:30AM - 10:30AM

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Moore's Rosewood Chapel

2570 S. Harvard Ave., Tulsa, OK, US, 74114

OCT **Funeral** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Moore Funeral Home - October 04, 2018 at 05:49 PM



“ Walt was the first person I met after returning from overseas in Dec., 1974. My sister Debby & Walt picked me up at the airport. I liked him instantly. We drove around for hours while I got the nerve to see my dad. The three of us ended up living together for quite a while —4 counting Beau. I hadn't heard from him since the eighties until he called about two years ago, and time disappeared instantly with his laugh. He was still Walt—braggadocios, happy, and warm and funny. The Allman Bros will always mean Walt to me. I'm sure Beau was waiting to jump on him the minute he got to heaven. I will always love him and miss his confidence and positive attitude. Bye my friend. See you soon.

Kathy Murray Huntress - October 15, 2018 at 09:30 PM



“ Thank you everyone for a wonderful memorial. May you all have a wonderful holiday season. Keep your friends and family close at heart.

Kind Regards,
Austin Zehren

Austin - October 15, 2018 at 10:00 AM



“ Austin, I'm Debby's sister. I never got to meet you, but Deb says wonderful things about you. I'm so grateful Walt had you in his life. You surely made it for him. I'm so sorry you lost him. He was a hoot and a good friend. We had some fine times together in the mid seventies. I pray your loss will get easier with time. We were all happier for having known Walt.

Kathy Murray Huntress

Kathy Murray Huntress - October 15, 2018 at 09:38 PM



“ Cathy Duke lit a candle in memory of John Walter Zehren



Cathy Duke - October 08, 2018 at 04:17 PM



“ Rest in Peace Walt! You will always be remembered with a smile and a happy feeling...that is truly a gift! We Love You and wrap our arms and hearts around Austin and Sarah! Much Love Always, Cathy Duke and family!

Cathy Duke - October 08, 2018 at 04:16 PM



“ Rest in peace Walt, we will miss you. Enjoyed our visits. You were a great lake neighbor.
Glenn and Kay Eberle

Glenn Eberle - October 06, 2018 at 09:27 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John Walter Zehren.



October 04, 2018 at 08:40 PM



“ Aimee Zehren lit a candle in memory of John Walter Zehren



Aimee Zehren - October 04, 2018 at 03:09 PM



“ Rest in peace, Walt! You were a wonderful brother-in-law! I will always remember you great smile and wonderful laugh! Love always, Aimee

Aimee Zehren - October 04, 2018 at 03:10 PM



“ 33 files added to the album LifeTributes



Moore Funeral Home - October 04, 2018 at 02:15 PM



“ Corbett Family - Cathy, Cindy, Carrie, Lee, CeCe purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of John Walter Zehren.



Corbett Family - Cathy, Cindy, Carrie, Lee, CeCe - October 04, 2018 at 12:36 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of John Walter Zehren.



October 03, 2018 at 09:57 PM



“ Walt, you beat me to the other side, so I get the last word..... I am at a loss for words....
Ollie

Ollie - October 03, 2018 at 09:40 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John Walter Zehren.



October 03, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ 252 files added to the album LifeTributes



Moore Funeral Home - October 03, 2018 at 03:23 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John Walter Zehren.



October 03, 2018 at 09:57 AM



“ My friend of 33 years, I will miss our weekly talks and thoughts of past fun had at the lake and Cains Ballroom, Old Lady on Brady. We had way too much fun and I am happy you are with our Lord now. Going to miss you so much. Enjoy fishing in Heaven my friend

Kari Kay Walker - October 02, 2018 at 11:50 PM



“ To my comrade in arms, Walt. The night I first met you at the old Boston Avenue Market, I had no idea we would become Brothers-in-Law. In fact having family's was probably the furthest thing from both of our minds. That night was so much fun, and we talked about it for years. You, me, Joe Rackleff and Ruppy, (and our dates). Later

introductions were made that connected us for life. Your son and my daughters became first cousins and close friends, and we all thank you for that connection. If they need sharp wit and hilarious commentary in Heaven, they have it now. God speed my friend and thank you for the good times and lasting legacy of your son, Austin.

Jerry Duke - October 02, 2018 at 08:06 PM