



Wayne Everett Cook

July 19, 1960 - March 17, 2025

Wayne Everett Cook, of Ironton, MO, entered into rest on Monday, March 17, 2025, at the age of 64 years, 7 months, and 29 days. He was born July 19, 1960, in St. Louis, MO, a son of the late John E. and Catherine (Duvall) Cook. On July 26, 1980, Wayne was united in marriage to Donna (Kueck) Cook who survives. To this union, three children were born, Wayne Cook and wife Renee of Park Hills, MO, Jackie Mesey and husband Jason of Potosi, MO, and Amy Cook and Logan of Arcadia, MO, all of whom survive. Also surviving are three grandchildren, Chole, Charlee, and Holly; one brother Bob Cook and wife Kathy of St. Louis, MO, three sisters, Janet Ketcherside of Ironton, MO, Judy Gregorc and husband Tony of St. Louis, MO, and Carol Diedriech of Holts Summit, MO; a sister-in-law Elly Cook of New Athens, IL, a brother-in-law Don Georger of Fenton, MO, and many more loving family members and friends. Wayne is preceded in rest by his parents, a brother John Cook, a sister Mary Georger, and a brother-in-law Jim Ketcherside.

For many years, Wayne worked for the Missouri Department of Corrections at the Bonne Terre prison. After his retirement two years ago, Wayne went to work for S.O.R.T.S. in Farmington, MO.

In his free time, Wayne loved playing golf, he loved bowling, fishing, spending money, spending time with Donna, his kids, grandkids, and siblings, and loved his dogs Gracie and Maggie.

Wayne was a kind man and loved many people; whether it was his kid's friends or someone he didn't know, he treated you like family and always

cared for his fellow man. He worked hard, played harder, but loved the most. Wayne Everett Cook will be missed by all who were blessed to know and love him.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025, beginning at 7:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel.

Visitation for friends and family to gather will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025, beginning at 4:00 pm and lasting until 7:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel.

Rev. Gerald Collier will be officiating the services.

Online condolences may be made at www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home
210 E Reynolds St
Ironton, MO 63650
(573) 546-0742

Celebration of Life

MAR 20. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 12 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Cole Family Funeral Home - March 20, 2025 at 10:41 AM

BC

“ *Beaver Valley Golf Club*o planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Wayne Everett Cook*.

Beaver Valley Golf Clubo - March 20, 2025 at 09:55 AM

BC

“ *Beaver Valley Golf Club*o purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of *Wayne Everett Cook*.



Beaver Valley Golf Clubo - March 20, 2025 at 09:55 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



March 19, 2025 at 04:24 PM



“ *39 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Cole Family Funeral Home - March 19, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ *With love, Mike Diedrich. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne Everett Cook.*

With love, Mike Diedrich. - March 19, 2025 at 01:28 PM

WD

“ *With love, Mike Diedriech. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



With love, Mike Diedriech. - March 19, 2025 at 01:28 PM

JF

“ *Jody and family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



Jody and family - March 19, 2025 at 01:13 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



March 19, 2025 at 12:06 PM

VB

“ *Vicky & Joe Byington purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



Vicky & Joe Byington - March 19, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Everett Cook.

March 19, 2025 at 04:40 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.



March 19, 2025 at 04:40 AM



“ KAREN JENNINGS lit a candle in memory of Wayne Cook



KAREN JENNINGS - March 19, 2025 at 01:28 AM



“ Lt. Walter Jones and Rhonda Jones planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne Everett Cook.

Lt. Walter Jones and Rhonda Jones - March 18, 2025 at 10:22 PM



“ *Lt. Walter Jones and Rhonda Jones purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.*



Lt. Walter Jones and Rhonda Jones - March 18, 2025 at 10:22 PM

KM

“ Where do I start? First of all I have to say finding out you are gone is a kick to the stomach. 10 years ago you took me under your wing and showed me tricks of the trade at the institution. To the Cook family please know that you are not grieving alone, an entire DOC family is grieving with you. I will cherish the many memories from 5 house and the yard.

On behalf of the Missouri Department of Corrections Eastern Region Honor Guard please accept our deepest sympathies and know we mourn with all of you. If you need anything please reach out.

*Honor guard attention! Present arms! ***slow salute*** Lord we honor our fallen brother as he is now and forever in your glory. His tour of duty in the tiers of earth are done. Brother we now have the watch. Order arms!*

We thank you, Cook family, for CO-I Wayne “Old Man” Cook (25-79) and his faithful service not only to the state but the community. His savior has called him home and proudly said “come my faithful servant your mansion awaits”. An entire department mourns with you. His ERDCC family will cherish the memories and now have the walk.

Krystal and Amber Mishler - March 18, 2025 at 09:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne Everett Cook.

March 18, 2025 at 08:51 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.



March 18, 2025 at 08:51 PM



“ *Jeremy, Emily, Cole, and Clay Juenger* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Wayne Everett Cook.



Jeremy, Emily, Cole, and Clay Juenger - March 18, 2025 at 08:49 PM