



## Jeffrey James Laird

August 4, 1964 - December 13, 2025

Jeffrey James Laird of Kansas City, MO passed away on December 13, 2025 at home, at the age of 61. He was born in O'Neill, Nebraska on August 4, 1964 to the late Robert and Barbara (Mangum) Laird.

Jeff moved to Rolla, MO when he was a baby and grew up there. After graduating from Rolla High School, he graduated from Central Missouri State in Warrensburg, with a degree in Security. He worked in security at Lake City Army Ammunition Plant, the Internal Revenue Service and the Truman Library, all in the Kansas City area. He also worked at the Missouri State Highway Patrol in Jefferson City, MO.

Jeff's interests included all things about Scotland, where his ancestors came from. He collected books about Scotland, owned a kilt and sword and other collectables. He also enjoyed attending Scottish festivals. Growing up in Rolla, MO he was an active member of Salem Avenue Baptist Church, where he became a Christian and was baptized, he had many friends at the church and in the Rolla area.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Barbara Laird; brother, Robert Stephen Laird and several aunts and uncles. He is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Laird and her son Trent; daughter, Rebekah Laird; sister Sandra Ponzer and her husband Rolland; nephew, Jonathan Ponzer and wife

Becky and their children, Gabriel, Hadley and Agnes; nephew Matthew Ponzer and wife Meg and their children Kenna, Calvin and Norah all of the Kansas City area; uncle Carroll Mangum of Shreveport, LA.

A memorial service for Jeff will be held at a later date, interment at the Rolla Cemetery. Donations may be made to the church he attended, Grace Assembly of God at 4101 Harrison St., Kansas City, Mo 64110 or Bishop Sullivan Center, 3936 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64110.