



Joe R. Seward II

May 1, 1957 - December 5, 2022

Joe R. Seward II of Odessa, MO passed in his home on December 5, 2022 where he was surrounded by love and comfort.

Joe was born on May, 1 1957 to Joe I and Ruth (Pugh) Seward. He attended his school years in the Oak Grove and Grain Valley school districts.

Throughout his childhood and adolescence he loved fast cars, motorcycles, and his good friends.

After high school, Joe worked at his father's Skelly Station in Oak Grove, where he drove a tow truck and operated the base.

In 1983 he met the love of his life, Mary, with whom he raised four children: Michelle, Joe III, Jennifer, and David. Joe and Mary went on to build their own remodeling and custom cabinetry business in Odessa. Joe was meticulous and thorough with his work and could often be quite demanding. This made for beautiful woodwork and craftsmanship which was enjoyed by many.

Joe also became an ordained Wiccan High Priest when LGBTQ marriage was legalized as he believed in the sanctity of marriage for all. He officiated many marriages of close friends and family. Joe always enjoyed time with his family and friends, especially if accompanied by good music and a bonfire. He also enjoyed motorcycle rides with Mary, especially on a beautiful day.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Joe I and Ruth, his son Joe III, his best friend Dana, and his sister Retha.

Joe is survived by his beloved wife Mary, of the home, his daughter Michelle (Ken) Hardesty of Odessa, daughter Jennifer (Derick) Wheat of Sugar Creek, and son David Seward of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. His grandchildren: Abbigail Seward of North Kansas City, Justice (Darren) Jones of Odessa, Liberty Wasmer of Independence, Garrett (Lorelei) Barmore of Independence, Ashlyn (Danny) Mantle of Buckner, Eryn Hardesty of Odessa. And his great-grandchildren: Julian, Jacelynn, Teslyn, Aerith, Jake, Kyrie, and Maylee.

The family would like to thank Traditions Health Hospice for keeping him comfortable during his final days.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a local animal rescue in Joe's name.

A Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later date.