



Jerry L. Cosner

May 1, 1936 - March 11, 2021

Jerry Cosner, 84, passed away on March 11, 2021. Jerry was born in Kansas City to Ben and Esther Cosner. He graduated from Paseo High School in 1954, and went on to earn a Bachelor's in Chemical Engineering from Georgia Tech and a Master's in Business from the University of Chicago. Jerry worked as an engineer, consultant, and later as the President of American Ingredients in Kansas City.

In 1960, Jerry married his wife, Barbara, who he had known since childhood. They moved to Akron, Ohio, and later to Chicago before returning to the Kansas City area in 1971.

Jerry was a true mensch. He was both respected and respectful as an employer, always ensuring that those he worked with were treated fairly. Honesty was a true motto for him. After he retired, he devoted his time to studying the stock market and exchanging information with his brokers, playing golf, and attending the symphony and theater, and enjoying time with his Romeo friends. Jerry was a member of The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah and Beth Shalom.

Above all, Jerry loved his family and valued the trips and special occasions he spent with his kids and grandkids.

Jerry was predeceased by his parents, his brother, Melvin Cosner, nephew, Alan Cosner and sister and brother-in-law, Harriet and Maurice Dubinsky. Jerry is survived by his wife, Barbara, children, Jody Cosner, Brenda (Robert) Ruben, Brian Cosner, grandchildren, Hillary (Kyle) Kidwell, Laura Kaplan, Jake (Melissa) Ruben, Will Ruben, Ben Ruben, great-grandchildren, Jackson Garret Kidwell and Carter Benjamin Kidwell, sister-in-law, Sibby Cosner, and many loving nieces and nephews.

The family suggests contributions to Jewish Family Services in Jerry's memory, or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Zoom Graveside Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM.

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Zoom Shiva Service

MAR 14. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MM

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Jerry. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

mary moe - March 18, 2021 at 05:46 PM

PT

“ Brian, Barbara, Jody and Brenda - My deepest sympathies to you and your extended family. Eternal be his memory. "It is not length of life, but depth of life." - Ralph Waldo Emerson



Paul Traiforos - March 14, 2021 at 06:27 PM

JM

“ To Brian and the Cosner Family,
My condolences on your loss. May his memory forever be a blessing.
Jeff Mann

Jeff Mann - March 14, 2021 at 02:41 PM

EH

“ Marsha and I are so sorry to hear of the loss of Jerry.
I had recently (prior to covid) talked with Jerry. It was nice to recall past events.

Our deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Marsha and Eddie Herman

ed herman - March 14, 2021 at 01:27 PM

JS

Barbara, Steve and I were so sorry to read of Jerry's passing. It was always a pleasure to see him and be greeted with his warm smile. We hope you and your family have many happy memories to comfort you during this sad time. We send our deep sympathy to each of you.

Judy and Steve Sherry

judy sherry - March 14, 2021 at 10:31 PM



“ *My old upstairs neighbor from the Lake. Nicest neighbors ever. Praying for peace and comfort for the family.*

Sue Collins

Sue Collins - March 14, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ *Dear Cosner family,
Condolences and Blessings to you. Although I didn't know Mr. Cosner that well it was always a pleasure to be with him especially on the golf course. He referring to me as "Wills" will always be a wonderful memory.*

Richard Wills

Richard Wills - March 14, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ *Barbara, Jody, Brenda, and Brian,
Steve and I were so sorry to hear about Jerry. I will always think of him as such a lovely, kind man. May his memory be a blessing to you all.*

*Sending love.
Ann and Steve Shure*

Ann Shure - March 14, 2021 at 12:56 AM



“ *Dear Barbara and Jody, i am so saddened to hear this news. May his name and memory always be a blessing. My condolences and a hug. Ellen*

Ellen Portnoy - March 13, 2021 at 10:19 AM



“ *Dear Barbara and Family,
I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry, He always had a beautiful smile which we all will remember. May his memory be a blessing for you and the famiiy,
Marlene Katz*

marlene - March 13, 2021 at 09:19 AM



“ *Dear Barbara, Jodie and family. My condolences I was so sad to hear this news. May his name and memory be a blessing for you and your entire family. Ellen*

Ellen Portnoy - March 12, 2021 at 05:30 PM

BB

“ *Barbara*
I was so sorry to hear about Jerry. May his memory be a blessing to you and your family
Barb Bronstein

Barbara Bronstein - March 12, 2021 at 04:21 PM

FW

“ *Dear Barbara and Family. We were so sorry to learn of Jerry's passing and send our warmest condolences to you. I remember Jerry from our younger days and though I didn't know him well, he always greeted us with the warmest and most sincere smile. May those happy memories sustain you in this most difficult time.*

Felicia and Seymour Weiner - March 12, 2021 at 03:57 PM

CS

“ *Dear Barbara, my most wonderful memories of my arrival in KC are due to you! Our paths went different ways but your family was the best! I also remember our freshman year at UT with Jerry's huge picture over your bed at Mrs. Normans. Your love for Jerry was meant to be and all the years you had together are the proof. I'm sending so much love and May he Rest In Peace. Cecille*

cecille Silverman - March 12, 2021 at 02:57 PM

MG

“ *Dear Barbara and family. I'm so sorry to learn of Jerry's passing. May his memory be a blessing to all who knew and loved him.*

Mindy Gorman - March 12, 2021 at 02:49 PM

JZ

“ *Dear Barbara and Family,*
Stan and I are deeply sorrowed to learn of Jerry's passing. We always knew Jerry as a warm and inviting person with a beautiful smile for everyone. May his dear memory always be for a blessing. We send sincere sympathy to you and your family. Joyce and Stan

Joyce Zeldin - March 12, 2021 at 02:28 PM

SL

Dear Barbara and family, so sorry to learn of Jerry's passing. He was such a great presences and host. May his memories be a blessing for you all. Sharon Levitan

Sharon Levitan - March 12, 2021 at 10:17 PM

NP

Dear Barbara and family, Saddened to learn of Jerry's passing. I have known Jerry since High School years at Paseo. He was always pleasant and friendly to be around. With sympathy to you and your family. Neil and Gloria Planzer

Neil Planzer - March 14, 2021 at 03:34 PM

JP

Dear Barbara and family, Harold and I are so very sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. I have known you and your family for so many years. Wish you all good health and memories of a lovely man. Janet and Harold Price

Janet Price - March 14, 2021 at 03:42 PM



“ *Barbara and family, David and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. We will miss Jerry's friendly greetings, smiles, and stories. May his memory be for a blessing.*
Barbara and David Marcus



Barbara Marcus - March 12, 2021 at 01:56 PM

RH

Dear Barbara and family, we were so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. May his memory always be for a blessing. It is so hard to lose the ones we love.
Rickie and Ed Haith

Rickie Haith - March 12, 2021 at 10:15 PM

TP

*.Dear Barbara and Family,
Our family is saddened by the loss of Jerry. We have known and enjoyed his company for many years. His smile and ability to get along with us was remarkable. Please know that his memory will live on, and may it be for a blessing.*

The Rapaports and Pearlmutters - March 13, 2021 at 10:01 AM

JR

Dear Barbara, Jody, Brenda, & Brian,

We are sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. May his memory be a blessing to all of you and your families.

*Love,
Jodi & Bill Rosenthal*

Jodi & Bill Rosenthal - March 14, 2021 at 12:50 PM

SB

Dear Jody

I was no sorry to hear of your father's death. There are no words that can describe this loss. My time and memories bring you comfort. You are in our thoughts. My condolences. May his memories be a blessing. Barbara and Scott Hecht

Scott and Barbara - March 14, 2021 at 10:14 PM

SS

Dear Cosner Family,

Our thoughts are with you at this time. Jerry was someone who always generated the warmest feelings! I've known him since he was in college at Mizzou and have always thought of him as a great guy. We're sending love at this time.

Sherry Seligson and Saul Gitomer

sherry seligson - March 16, 2021 at 12:48 PM

MK

Dear Barbara and Jody,

I was just checking on a couple of things just now from my Aunt Ruthie's (Krigel/Tivol) obit, when I saw that Jerry had just passed away as well. I'm so, so sorry.

As you may remember, my connection to him wasn't through Jody (not sure why we didn't hang out more), but because he worked for my dad as his #2 at Monark Egg. And it was he to whom I reported at Monark the summer after my first year of college. I really liked the guy, and learned a lot from him. Particularly because he let me make mistakes on the dried pickle-mix production line, and then calmly would note what I did wrong and help me do better for next time. He definitely made an impact on my young life.

May his memory be a blessing,

Mike Krigel, Palo Alto, California

Mike Krigel - March 16, 2021 at 08:59 PM