



Jerry Leland Ball

January 17, 1936 - February 26, 2020

The Celebration of Life at Emerald Bay Community Church has been postponed until further notice.

Jerry Leland Ball passed away at his home in Emerald Bay, February 26, 2020. He was born January 17, 1936, in Chickasha, Oklahoma, to Leland James and Marjorie Dunkin Ball. Jerry spent his early years in southern California and Oklahoma. At the age of 8, his family moved to Midland, Texas, where he graduated from Midland High School.

In March, 1955, he married his wife of 65 years, Jaynan Edwards Ball. They lived and raised their family in Odessa where he worked in the chemical and oil industry. In 1977, he moved to Kilgore, Texas, where he established Fas-Line Industries, which he owned and operated for thirty years. After selling his company, he was free to pursue his passion - all things related to cars. Jerry and Jaynan spent many years travelling, attending and participating in car shows, auctions, rallies and various automobile events. He created his museum of fine automobiles, including an extensive collection of memorabilia, and enjoyed sharing his knowledge and collection with friends and others who shared his interests. One of his most memorable highlights was in 1996 when he participated with his son, Lee Jay, in The Great Race, which covered 4,000 miles across the United States and Canada, winning the Rookie Division in their 1933 Dodge.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Jaynan Ball; two sons, Charles Ball (Troylyn), Leland Ball (Patricia); one daughter, Jeri Nan Ball Johnson (Rinny); grandchildren, Marshall, Coulton and Luke Ball, and Baker (Marty) Johnson, Sean (Tiffany) Johnson, Landry (Josh) Norris; and two great-grandchildren.

Charities that he valued and supported were Emerald Bay Women's Club Benevolence Fund, P.O. Box 891, Bullard, Texas 75757, Breckenridge Village - breckenridgevillage.com, and East Texas Crisis Center - <https://etcc.org>.

Comments



“ Jerry gave me one of my first real jobs back when i started out in life and i admired his grit and business savvy and the deep down compassion for his employees that he truly had and he made no bones about it . Mrs Ball and family i am sorry about Jerry and my thoughts & prayers are with you .
Shannon Watson

Shannon Watson - June 05 at 10:13 AM



“ I have such fun memories with Jerry and his family at weekends at Lake Sweetwater, as well as car shows and activities with my dad. He was always kind to me and made me laugh. I send prayers to Jaynan, Charlie, LeeJay and Jerry Nan and the rest of the family.
Jody Farmer Uran

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“ My friendship with Jerry was a short 3 years. His phone calls to chat about cars will be missed. His friendship will never be replaced and the part of his heart he shared with me will always be with me. My condolences to all his family.



BJ and Kim Hodge - February 29 at 04:27 PM



“ Jerry was always very nice to me my son Zane daughter Kaela. Jerry was my friend of almost 38 years. We had many great times at the garage watching NASCAR eating pizza and having a grand time together. We had a mutual interest of cars. My dad was a car dealer back n the day. I will miss Jerry very much. When I told my kids of Jerry's passing especially my son Zane was very saddened. I will miss Jerry very much of all the great times together. I pray for all the family. Rest In Peace. I loved Jerry very much. We had some great talks together. Doug Dotson

doug dotson - February 29 at 01:40 AM

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“ Sincerely sad to hear! My thoughts and prayers are with Jaynan and her family!
Sincerely, Steve Hamilton

Steve Hamilton - February 27 at 07:41 AM