



Christopher Allen Coots

March 23, 1944 - June 1, 2018

It is with great sadness that the family of Christopher Allen Coots announces his passing on June 1, 2018 at the age of 74.

He was born March 23, 1944 to Jeff and Bonnie Coots in Independence, KS. In 1962, he graduated from Chanute High School in Chanute, KS, where he met the love of his life, Brenda née Carter, with whom he celebrated 54 years of marriage.

Chris went on to graduate from Kansas State College of Pittsburg, later known as Pittsburg State University with a master's degree in music education.

He began his teaching career in Lakin, KS in 1968 and over the next 33 years taught in Haysville, KS, Pittsburg, KS and Girard, KS.

After retirement, he and Brenda moved down to Afton, Ok, on Grand Lake, where they thoroughly enjoyed the serene atmosphere of lake life.

Chris was preceded in death by his parents, Jeff and Bonnie Coots, also of Afton, OK and an infant brother, Michael Wayne Coots. Chris is survived by his loving wife, Brenda. Their three children, Angela Coots, Afton, OK, Shannon (Phil) Reynolds, Olathe, KS and Jason (Meredith) Coots, Jacksonville, FL, his grandchildren Jase and Devyn Schmidt, A.J. and Sam

Coots, Maddie Reynolds, Avery and Aidan Maris. He is also survived by siblings Jodi (Mike) Lucke of Osage City, KS, Sue Bailey of Sierra Vista, AZ and Scott Coots, also of Sierra Vista, AZ, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service to honor his life is being held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at Brenner Mortuary in Pittsburg, KS. Visitation will begin at 5:30 pm with services beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, a scholarship fund is being created in his name dedicated to Future Music Educators. Donations can be made via PayPal at chriscootsfutureeducatorfund@yahoo.com or left with Brenner Mortuary, Pittsburg, KS.

Tribute Wall

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“ My condolences to Chris' family & friends. I have fond memories of Chris and our Royster & Chanute Senior High days. It was always good to see him & visit at our class reunions. My favorite memory continues to be of our high school junior year English class trip to Hannibal, MO., hometown of Mark Twain. RIP Chris.

Cliff Sperry - June 04, 2018 at 07:25 PM

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I just now came across Chris' obituary. I went to Lakin High and Chris was my band teacher. He was an excellent teacher and motivator. He supported me when I wanted to write a music score for the band which I never did finish. Being a guitar player it was hard to wrap my mind around that endeavor but he encouraged me nonetheless. He was a Chase fan too (Bill Chase), which I was a fan too. I'll never forget Chris. He was a great guy and an inspiration to me. God bless his family. Larry Moody, class of '73.

Larry Moody - April 18, 2025 at 04:10 PM