



## Douglas Ballard

October 22, 1956 - October 24, 2016

### DOUGLAS DEAN BALLARD

Born on October 22, 1956, to Virgil D. and Marilyn J. (Oehler) Ballard at Ellington Air Force Base in Houston, Texas. Doug worked at Armco Steel, Mobil Oil, Lipton, NKC School District and Harley Davidson Motor Company where he was a finesse operator since June, 1998.

He is survived by his parents; wife, Anita Kingsolver-Ballard; 4 children (Matthew, Spencer, Connor and Emily); his 4 legged companion for the past 13 ½ years, Max; his brother in law and wife; niece and nephew, many aunts, uncles, cousins, and numerous friends. Doug was preceded in death by his brother, David Brent Ballard.

Doug graduated from Winnetonka High School in 1974. Received a degree from Maple Woods Community College and attended William Jewell College. He was an Eagle Scout and was a member in the tribe of Mic-O-Say.

His passions were his family, friends, hunting, his dogs, reading, genealogy, history, archaeology, music and the family farm in Kansas, where he spent many many hours of his life. It is the place that helped make him the man he was.

To honor Doug's request, his ashes will be spread at the family farm at a later date.

Anyone who knew Doug knew how incredibly well versed he was on so many subjects. His friends referred to him as the walking library. He was able to retain information in a way like none other. The history facts and information that he could incorporate into his conversations were so very impressive to those whose lives he touched.

In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted and distributed by the family.

We lost an incredible man who was loved and will be missed by so many. Fond memories and words of comfort may be shared at: [www.CashattFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.CashattFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Raphael Chapel  
5401 N. Sycamore Avenue  
Kansas City, MO 64119

## Celebration of Life

OCT **29**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *I was a neighbor of the Ballards growing up. Doug, David and I and several neighbors would play games in the street till the lights came on. I remember him collecting all sorts of bugs, lizards and arrowheads! He had an amazing collection! I’m just so saddened that him and his brother passed way before their parents. Virgil and Marilyn were the picture of perfect parents in my book. I’m so glad I was able to visit with them after my mother passed. I will always remember that family and have such fond memories of each one of them. RIP*

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**Sandra Gallus** - March 08 at 09:04 PM



“ *Douglas Ballard*

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October 04, 2023 at 10:39 PM

PJ

“ Doug -

*I will SO miss our car rides; our visits; the lake trips; our McDonalds and Price Chopper runs; our googling bits of information (which would happen only after we would be talking about something and you would pass along some bit of information or fact that I had NO clue about and often times be surprised about and would look it up ONLY to find that as usual YOU WERE CORRECT); the movies you introduced me to which were excellent but that should come as no surprise to anyone; the laughs; the "snipe" hunts and campfires back in the day; the Max treat time; and as needed the silence (which many times spoke volumes).*



*I will miss you my friend but I know that you are free!*

*While I was your "hospital wife" for a short time, more importantly I was and always will be your FOREVER FRIEND!*

*Peggy*

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**Peggy Jewett** - October 28, 2016 at 06:52 PM

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*Peggy, Doug was my cuz, I remember you and your thoughts from a few years ago, I still think about Doug, more of his his bro, see, Dave was my dude, Doug was his bigger dude, God only knows, I still hurt as I grow older without my dudes! My pain will never ease until I finally see their open arms at the pearly gates!*

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**Galen** - February 25, 2024 at 01:03 AM

GA

*Cousins forever, from Wichita!*

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**Galen** - February 25, 2024 at 01:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas Ballard.*



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October 26, 2016 at 02:27 PM



“ *My favorite memories of Doug are the simple, everyday kind of memories, like his love of nature and outdoors, his fearlessness in trying new things, (I remember him hunting and eating things like rattlesnake and squirrels. I even remember the time he brought my parents some squirrel meat to try- that package sat in our freezer for God knows how many years!!) I remember his fascination with history and archaeology, reflected in his childhood bedroom filled with various native American artifacts, geodes and many other kinds of rocks and fossils. He was the embodiment of a lover of nature and lover of life, and I'm sure he's loving his new, joy-filled, pain free life in heaven!! Enjoy your eternal rest, cuz. You fought a warriors fight so you deserve it!!*  
*Your cousin Kerry*



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**Kerry Ahler** - October 26, 2016 at 02:24 PM

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“*Doug, you are gone too soon, one of the best cousins a guy could have. I can see you and Dave hanging out together again. I'll never forget my first dove at the farm or that time we rafted up in to the narrow waters near Gravois Mills, Lake of the Ozarks. My deepest thoughts are for Anita, Matt, Emily, Connor, Spencer, Virgil and Marilyn. I am so glad I got to see him earlier this month. Until we meet again, you are in my heart forever. Galen Carlson, Wichita, Ks.*

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**Galen Carlson, Cousin.** - October 26, 2016 at 12:19 PM