



Jerry LaBounty

August 28, 1937 - May 23, 2024

In loving memory of Jerry LaBounty, a master craftsman and beloved member of the community, who passed away on May 23, 2024, at the age of 86.

Jerry LaBounty was born on August 28, 1937 in Lowell AR, a small town that he always held close to his heart. From a young age, Jerry showcased a remarkable talent for woodworking, a skill that he would hone and perfect throughout his lifetime.

Jerry's passion for craftsmanship led him to work alongside his father. Jerry is now a legend in the world of architecture. Together, they built iconic Faye Jones houses, including the renowned home of Sam and Helen Walton. Jerry's company, LaBounty Construction, became synonymous with excellence in construction, responsible for creating architectural marvels such as the Thorncrown Chapel in Eureka Springs, Mildred B. Cooper Chapel in Bella Vista, and numerous other houses and chapels. Faye Jones himself commended Jerry and his talented crew of carpenters for their unwavering dedication to preserving his architectural vision.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Jerry was cherished by all who knew him for his infectious warmth, genuine kindness, and quick wit. His presence could light up a room, and his laughter was a melody that will forever echo in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him.

Jerry LaBounty is preceded in death by his Father Charles LaBounty, Mother Irma LaBounty, Sister Nada LaBounty and brother Carol LaBounty. He is survived by sister Barbara David, spouse Emma "Louie" LaBounty and his children Gary LaBounty, Debra LaBounty, Amy Carte, Lesley Kline and Lynn Boyd. Plus many others, nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

As we bid farewell to Jerry LaBounty, let us remember the legacy of a man whose hands shaped beauty out of wood and whose soul touched the lives of all who were fortunate enough to cross his path. May his spirit live on in the whisper of the wind through the trees he once lovingly crafted. Rest in peace, dear Jerry, your memory will forever be a blessing to us all.

Your comments and memories of Jerry are welcome.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jerry was a great example to me. Always so fun, quick whitted, and kind to everyone. I enjoyed working with him at Hickory Creek Cemetery. I remember when we were building the out house he called it a privy because it was nicer than an outhouse. He said, “I used to build beautiful chapels and now I’m retired build a privy.” He donated so much to our community and will be missed. Leon L. Lieutard

Leon L. Lieutard - May 28, 2024 at 11:02 PM

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Oh No! I just saw this! Jerry you will be missed! Such a great man! Prayers for the family! Richard and Lynn Cox.

lynn cox - May 30, 2024 at 07:27 AM

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My big brother Jerry spent most of his life as an unbeliever. He told me one time that he didn't know if there was a God, and if there was one, He certainly didn't care about him. After Jerry found out he had terminal brain cancer, I think God became real to him as a loving God that sent his son Jesus to die, so that we could live forever in heaven. Once Jerry believed that, he became the most loving person to every one he met. If you saw him, you could be sure you would get hugged. The last thing he said to me was "I love you," and the last thing he said to Gary was " you're wonderful!" He loved for Gary to pray with him, and it made him so happy to think about what he had to look forward to in heaven. Thank God for loving him so much, and taking him into his loving arms when his life was almost gone!

Barbara David (Jerry's sister.) - June 22, 2024 at 02:31 PM