



## Robert R Applegarth

August 8, 1953 - January 4, 2025

Robert R. Applegarth, 71, of Bentonville, passed away on January 4, 2025, at Willard Walker Hospice in Fayetteville. He was born August 8, 1953, in LeRoy, Kansas to Ray D. Applegarth and Virginia Lucille Hubbert. He graduated from Holton High School (KS) in 1971. He attended two years of college.

He worked for TRG, an Alter Trading Company, for 16 years. As many know, he was a workaholic, but his passions were caring for wildlife and getting to know his friends and family. He was also an avid sports fan which shined brightly during tailgating season and in his conversations. During his lifetime, he was an entrepreneur, was on numerous community boards in Benton County, and was instrumental in getting the bridge across the train tracks on Highway 72 in Gravette in place. He enjoyed steam tractors, gardening, and reading.

He was preceded in death by his father (Ray), mother (Virginia), stepmother (Jean), infant daughter (Jasmine), father-in-laws J.W. DePriest and Dean Griffin, and brother-in-laws Ronnie DePriest and Jerry Wayne Biggs.

He is survived by his wife, Gerry Lynn, of 36 years, his sisters Susan Lewis (Brian) of Americus (GA), Deborah Babin (Wayne) of LaPlace (LA), Kim Amin (Najah) of Moreno Valley (CA), Julie Sutton (David) of Wichita (KS), their combined four children: Chenoa Sowa (Robert) of Washington D.C., Risa

Applegarth and Matthew Loyd of Greensboro (NC), Dakota Applegarth of Springfield (MO), and Mike L. Jeffcoat (Lora) of Centerton (AR), 6 grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his sister-in-laws Marianne Biggs (Jerry Wayne, deceased) and Carolyn Jones (Jerry), and his mother-in-law Sarah Griffin.

Honorary pallbearers will be Paul Reagan, Don Hawkins, David Sutton, Hurley Browning, Jon Sapp, Greg Sapp, Dean Ihry, Scott Kelly, Mike D. Jeffcoat, and Randy Frailey.

Services will be held Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 11 AM at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale with Eddie Davis officiating. Visitation will be Friday, January 10, 2025, from 5pm to 7pm at the funeral home.

Donations in his memory may be made to the National Audubon Society to protect birds and their habitats or for many different animals at the Benton County Humane Society.

Online condolences can be left at [www.siscofuneral.com](http://www.siscofuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel  
705 W Meadow Ave  
Springdale, AR 72764

## Funeral Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MD

“ I am grateful that Facebook gave me the chance to get to know my cousin Robert in recent years. I loved his posts of Buddy the Peacock, all the raccoons and critters he fed. He was so caring and loved nature. I am going to miss him. Growing up I didn't have many opportunities to see Robert so I am so glad I got the chance to know him in our later years. My thoughts and prayers go out to Gerry Lynn and the family.

Marilyn dula - January 14, 2025 at 05:28 AM

KD

“ Robert, thank you for being so kind and hospitable to some strangers from Rutgers during a football trip. You will be missed greatly. My condolences to the family.

- Kevin Daly

Kevin Daly - January 11, 2025 at 02:22 PM

JG

“ I remember Bob from growing up in Denison, KS. His dad was the minister of our church. Bob and his sisters were such a wonderful family.

Jan Gardiner - January 11, 2025 at 08:56 AM

BR

“ Bryan Ray purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



Bryan Ray - January 10, 2025 at 04:38 PM

MJ

“ *This guy has been roosted in the barn the past few days. He has been given a safe space and that was because Robert created it for him. He did that for friends and his pets. He left his legacy.*



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**Mike Jeffcoat** - January 10, 2025 at 02:39 PM

DM

“ *Sometimes you come across exceptional people that can raise the bar in in your industry that inspire us to be better in the dealings and the way we treat people. Robert was one of those people that touched our lives not only in business, but also as a privilege to call a friend.. This is the tradition that will be carried on in his memory. I think he would like it to be remembered as being carried out in a storm of snow. It causes you to appreciate the great outdoors that we tend to try to escape instead of enjoy.!*



*Forever Grateful  
Dave Meadows and the crew at the Junk Yard Dog..*

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**David B Meadows** - January 10, 2025 at 02:29 PM

PR

“ My partner developed a terminal illness. To keep his spirits up we'd have lunch somewhere, or bring lunch to his house in the later months. No matter where Bob was, which may have been close, or all the way across AR, he'd hop in that red truck and be there, on time for that lunch. He always thanked us for the invitation, as if he was the true beneficiary of the lunch, not Ron. Which made us all beneficiaries of Bob's genuine heartfelt kindnesses...and still does!

Paul Reagan - January 10, 2025 at 12:58 PM

CF

“ Cheryle Terry and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



Cheryle Terry and family - January 10, 2025 at 11:39 AM

CF

“ Cheryle Terry and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert R Applegarth.

Cheryle Terry and family - January 10, 2025 at 11:39 AM

MR

“ Matt Odom Crittenden County Recycling purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



Matt Odom Crittenden County Recycling - January 10, 2025 at 09:51 AM

WB

“ Wayne and Deborah Babin purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



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Wayne and Deborah Babin - January 09, 2025 at 06:56 PM

WB

“ Wayne and Deborah Babin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert R Applegarth.

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Wayne and Deborah Babin - January 09, 2025 at 06:56 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



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January 09, 2025 at 02:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert R Applegarth.

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January 09, 2025 at 02:48 PM

FC

“ *First Lutheran Church, Redlands, CA purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Robert R Applegarth.*



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**First Lutheran Church, Redlands, CA** - January 09, 2025 at 01:51 PM

DD

“ *Bob was one of my closest friends. We attended school and church together. We even attended a Fellowship of Christian Athletes camp at the University of Arkansas prior to our senior year at Holton. I have lots of great memories with Bob and will miss him greatly!*



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**Dick Decker** - January 09, 2025 at 12:15 PM

BR

“ *Big Rock recycling purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert R Applegarth.*



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**Big Rock recycling** - January 09, 2025 at 10:55 AM

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“ *Big Rock recycling planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert R Applegarth.*

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**Big Rock recycling** - January 09, 2025 at 10:55 AM

JS

“ Jackie Mory and sons purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



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**Jackie Mory and sons** - January 09, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



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January 08, 2025 at 08:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert R Applegarth.

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January 08, 2025 at 08:20 PM

YF

“ Your Alter/TRG Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Robert R Applegarth.



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**Your Alter/TRG Family** - January 08, 2025 at 05:07 PM

NS

“ *Najah & Kim Amin; David & Julie Sutton purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Robert R Applegarth.*



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**Najah & Kim Amin; David & Julie Sutton** - January 08, 2025 at 04:02 PM

JS

“ *Jon Sapp lit a candle in memory of Robert R Applegarth*



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**Jon Sapp** - January 08, 2025 at 03:49 PM

JS

*While Robert was a nephew, he was more like a brother. We shared our senior year at Holton High School. Many great memories of hours of discussion from sports, school and our futures. Always enjoyed when we got together and all the laughter with Bob, Gregg, Kim and Julie and "Big Mama" when we included her. He will be missed.*

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**Jon Sapp** - January 08, 2025 at 03:52 PM

HM

“ *Hollister Recycling Center and Mordis's purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Robert R Applegarth.*



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**Hollister Recycling Center and Mordis's** - January 08, 2025 at 02:19 PM

BM

“ *Beth McManigal lit a candle in memory of Robert R Applegarth*



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**Beth McManigal** - January 08, 2025 at 11:32 AM

BM

*Bob was a classmate from Holton, Kansas. Although we haven't seen each other for many years, reading his posts on Facebook was always interesting and seemed to connect us. RIP Bob, and Fly High!*

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**Beth McManigal** - January 08, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert R Applegarth.*



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January 08, 2025 at 10:14 AM