Edwin Paul Junek was born on April 18, 1954, in Belleville, the son of Leon L. & Irene (Kasper) Junek. Ed, one of 8 children born to Leon & Irene, grew up on the family farm near Cuba, and graduated from Hillcrest High School, class of 1972.

Following high school, Ed worked on the family farm, and then worked as an over the road truck driver. He was united in marriage to Doreen Hughes on April 23, 1977, in Clyde, and to this union, one son was born. Ed & Doreen were later divorced.

Ed started a 26 year career with Republic County Rural Water District #2 in 1993, and in his spare time, he farmed and raised cattle. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, hunting and fishing. Ed was a devoted family man, and later in life, enjoyed doing everything and anything for and with his grandsons, Jensen & Hayes.

Ed passed away on December 21, 2020, in Lawrence, Kansas, at the age of 66 years, 8 months and 3 days. He is preceded in death by his parents, Leon & Irene, niece Amanda Trecek, nephew Craig Junek, nephew Jared Hughes, brother-in-law Dave Trecek, brother-in-law Richard Hughes, and close friend Gary Headley.

He will be forever remembered by his son Adam, and his wife Emily of Clyde, and his grandsons, Jensen & Hayes Junek. Ed is also survived by his brother Gary Junek and his wife Marilyn of Cuba, sister Marilyn Trecek of Agenda, brother Alan Junek and his wife Sandra of Cuba, brother Rick Junek of Belleville, sister Patty Struble and her husband Jim of Minneapolis, sister Carol Taylor and her husband Steve of Delphos, and sister Connie Schou and her husband Einer of Cuba. He is also survived by his former brother-in-law David Hughes and his wife Patti of Lampe, Missouri, and sister-in-law Deb Czapanskiy and her husband Bill of Clyde. Ed is also survived by his many nieces, nephews, and a community of friends.



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## To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do.
You musn't tie yourself to me with tears.
Be happy that we had so many beautiful years.

I gave you my love, you can only guess

How much you gave to me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you each have shown.

But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me if grieve you must. Then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's only for a while that we must part. So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away. For life goes on.

So if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near.

And if you listen with your heart, You'll hear

All of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and "WELCOME HOME."



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## Funeral Service

Tuesday, December 29, 2020 ~ 10:00 a.m. Cuba Community Center ~ Cuba, Kansas

Officiating

Mr. Randy Paugh

Musical Ministry

"Go Rest High on that Mountain" vocal solo, Deb Czapanskiy

## Casket Bearers

Randy Lawson ~ Marty Kolman ~ Einer Schou Bill Czapanskiy ~ Barry Headley ~ Mick Valek

Honorary Casket Bearers
All of Ed's nephews

Interment following Service
National Bohemain Cemetery ~ Cuba, Kansas

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