



# Sheldon Gene Koonce

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**S**heldon Gene Koonce, 78, of Crosby, Texas, passed away on March 21, 2026, in Crosby. He was born on April 5, 1947, to Oneita and William Koonce in Leesville, Louisiana. Gene married the love of his life, Pauline Johnson, on April 12, 1969, in Houston, Texas. He graduated from Northshore High School in 1966.

Gene proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1966 to 1970, achieving the rank of Sergeant. He continued his service in the United States Air Force Reserves from 1970 to 1972 as a Staff Sergeant. Following his military career, he dedicated 23 years to the Houston Police Department, serving his community with honor and integrity.

Gene enjoyed a life filled with simple joys and meaningful moments. He loved hunting, fishing, watching sports, and spending time with his family. Some of his happiest moments were spent cheering on his grandchildren at their ballgames. He had a wonderful sense of humor and took great pleasure in making his family laugh with his jokes.

He is survived by his daughter, Tracy Thompson, and her husband, Craig; his son, Sheldon Gene Koonce Jr., and his wife, Shannon. He is also survived by his eight grandchildren—Cody, Clay, Cameron, Breanna, Crista, Chance, Mason, and Peighton—and five great-grandchildren, all of whom brought immense joy to his life.

Gene is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Pauline Koonce; his mother, Oneita Hale; his father, William Koonce; and his brother, William “Butch” Koonce Jr.

His family meant the world to him, and his unforgettable laugh will be cherished by all who knew and loved him.



# Events

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## Memorial Visitation

- Friday, April 10, 2026**
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT
- San Jacinto Funeral Home**  
14659 East Freeway, Houston TX 77015



## Chapel Service

- Friday, April 10, 2026**
- 12:00 PM CT
- San Jacinto Funeral Home**  
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## Houston Police Department Presentation

- Friday, April 10, 2026**
- 12:00 PM CT
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## Military Honors

- Friday, April 10, 2026**
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## Tribute Wall

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**Love, The Redford Family** sent a Sweet Liberty to the Koonce family.

April 10 at 9:41 AM



**Love, The Redford Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sheldon.

April 10 at 9:41 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Large Basket Garden to the Koonce family.

April 9 at 5:36 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sheldon.

April 9 at 5:36 PM



**Makenna Warden And Family** sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Koonce family.

April 9 at 2:54 PM



**Makenna Warden And Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sheldon.

April 9 at 2:54 PM





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**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sheldon.

April 7 at 5:39 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Large Basket Garden to the Koonce family.

April 7 at 5:39 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Koonce family.

April 7 at 12:57 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Fall Fantasia to the Koonce family.

April 6 at 1:07 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sheldon.

April 6 at 1:07 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Sheldon by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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