



Gerald "Jerry" Stanley Kapusta

March 5, 1943 - January 1, 2026

Gerald "Jerry" Kapusta, 82, of Wauchula, Florida, passed away on January 1, 2026.

Jerry was born on March 5, 1943, in Ravenna, Ohio, to Stanley and Florence Kapusta. He was an educator in the public school system and a devoted sports coach. A longtime resident of Hardee County since 1973, he had come to the area from Melbourne, Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Joyce Schimmer.

Jerry is survived by his loving wife, Marcia Kapusta; his sons Travis Kapusta and wife Laura of North Carolina, and Kory Kapusta and wife Carla of Kentucky; his daughter Markel Kapusta of North Carolina; brothers Greg Kapusta and wife Sherry of Kentucky, and Jeff Kapusta and wife Kellie of Ohio; sisters Jan Pacenta and husband Tom of Ohio, and Jill Kapusta and husband Rick Lewis of Ohio; grandchildren Will Kapusta and Cole Kapusta. He will be remembered for his dedication to students and athletes, and for the warmth he shared with family and friends.

Visitation will be held at Roberts Garden Chapel on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., followed by funeral services at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Jim Davis will officiate. Interment will take place at Wauchula City Cemetery.

Donations can be made to the American Heart Association and/or the Hardee Athletic Foundation in his honor.

Cemetery Details

Wauchula City Cemetery

1140 South 6th Avenue
Wauchula, FL 33873
(863) 773-3131
http://www.cityofwauchula.com/Pages/WauchulaFL_Cemetery/index

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

Robarts Garden Chapel
529 West Main Street
Wauchula, FL 33873
(863) 773-9773
robartsfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.robartsfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jerry was in with Pat Patterson during my interview at HHS in 1978. Worked with him many years. This week someone mentioned always seeing him at our county-wide back to school meeting peddling his articles to help the athletic program! 🙏

Cindie Fischer - January 06 at 09:03 AM

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“ I had Coach Kapusta as a Football coach & after graduating High School as a great friend for many years . Ride High Coach & Prayers Of Comfort for his Family .

John Eason III - January 05 at 10:45 PM

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“ Worked with Jerry for so many years at Adult Ed. He gave me my first teaching job. I will always remember the fried baloney sandwiches he would fix for me. Your memory will always be in my heart, rest in peace!

Yvonne Floyd - January 05 at 02:19 PM