



David Ray Hedrick

February 11, 1944 - October 28, 2025

David Ray Hedrick was born February 11, 1944, in Elvins, Missouri. He was the son of Claire James and Wilma Beatrice (Highfil) Hedrick. He grew up in Bismarck and graduated from Cherryville High School. After graduating, he enlisted into the United States Army and served his country faithfully until his honorable discharge.

While in high school, he met the love of his life, Joyce K. Payne. On June 28, 1968, they were united in marriage and started their beautiful adventure together creating fifty-seven years of lasting memories. David and Joyce were blessed with three sons: Chance, Creighton, and Chad, and later gained a bonus son: Bryan.

David was a family man and worked hard to provide for his family. He had a successful career in the mines, starting with St. Joseph, then Amax, and retiring from Doe Run after thirty years of dedication. His love for his family was endless, he taught them how to work hard, love deeply, speak honestly, and never take life for granted.

David was an avid outdoorsman and loved sharing that passion with his sons and grandchildren. They have many fond memories hunting and fishing together. His strong faith in the Lord was evident in his life. He was a longtime and active member of the Assembly of God Church in Viburnum.

David passed away October 28, 2025, in Fort Madison, Iowa, at the age of eighty-one years. Those left behind to treasure his memory include his loving wife: Joyce Hedrick of Keosauqua, IA; sons: Chance Hedrick and wife Hilary of Kahoka, MO and Chad Hedrick and wife Katie of Mt. Sterling, IA; brothers: Denny Hedrick and wife Debbie of Barnhardt, MO and Paul Hedrick and wife Sharon of House Springs, MO; grandchildren: Chloe, Chase, Canyon, Anna, and Leah Hedrick; as well as several nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends.

Preceding him in death were his son: Creighton Hedrick; bonus son: Bryan Hedrick; parents: Claire and Wilma (Highfil) Hedrick; and brothers: LaDon and Gary Hedrick.

His positive impact on the lives he touched will be treasured forever. His legacy will live on in those who loved him most. David will be deeply missed.

Memorial Contributions may be made in memory of David Hedrick to Maplegrove Cemetery and left with Wilson Mortuary. Memorial Envelopes will be available.

Cemetery Details

Maplegrove Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Viburnum
548 Highway 49
Viburnum, MO 65566
(573) 244-5554
<https://www.wilsonmortuary.com>

Funeral Service

NOV 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Wilson Mortuary - November 10, 2025 at 01:35 PM

PW

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Dave's passing. He was a great man. I worked with Joy for years, and thought of her and Dave, Chance and Chad as extended family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rest in eternal peace now Dave. May God bless you all.

Pamela R. Wood - November 07, 2025 at 05:04 PM

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“ The Wood family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of David Ray Hedrick.



The Wood family - November 07, 2025 at 04:11 PM

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“ Nick & Stephanie Davis purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David Ray Hedrick.



Nick & Stephanie Davis - November 07, 2025 at 09:47 AM

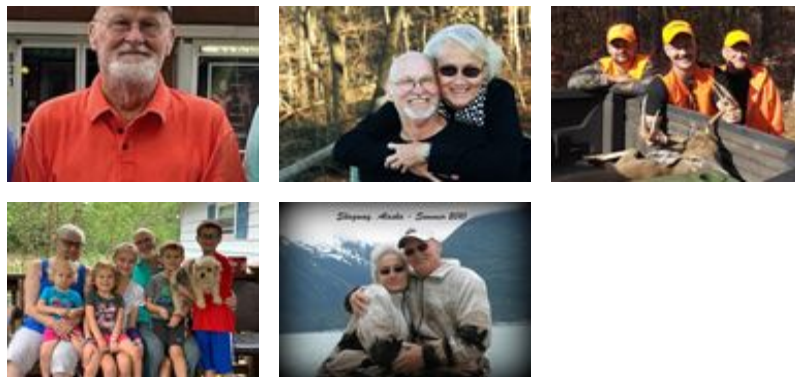
DS

“Joyce and Family, so sorry to hear of Dave’s passing. He was a good friend and a good buddy back in the day. I have many good memories of good times together. My deepest sympathy and condolences. Dave Sutterfield

David Sutterfield - November 07, 2025 at 09:22 AM



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Wilson Mortuary - November 06, 2025 at 03:18 PM

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“Dave and Joyce were great neighbors here in Maple Grove area. It was sad to go to their sale and see them move to Iowa. I’m glad they had several happy years enjoying the grandkids in that area. Sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers of peace for Joyce and family.

Linda Ragsdale - November 03, 2025 at 07:36 PM