

David "Buddy" Ray Land

November 10, 1937 - December 25, 2021

David "Buddy" Ray Land was born November 10, 1937 in Turtle, Missouri to Benjamin "Ben" Harrison and Effie Leora (Pyatt) Land and departed this life December 25, 2021 in Salem, Missouri at the age of eighty-four years.

Buddy grew up in Lenox, Missouri and at a young age met the love of his life, Barbara Ann Wells. They were united in marriage January 4, 1958 at the home of Walter Jenkins in Salem, Missouri and shared sixty-three years of memories together before her passing January 2, 2021. Buddy and Barbara were blessed with two children: Timothy and Annette.

Buddy was a hard worker and began his working career in St. Louis, Missouri as a roofer. In 1965, Buddy started Land Roofing Co. in Salem, Missouri and took great pride in the skilled work that he completed. After many dedicated years, Buddy retired and sold his business.

Buddy enjoyed time outdoors, whether he was in the woods hunting, at the river trout fishing, or in the field watching his cattle. He had a passion for horses, loved racing them, and bred and raised quarter horses. In his younger years, he was a member of the Salem Saddle Club. Buddy and Barbara loved riding the trails and camping at Cross Country Trail Rides.

Buddy was gifted with a talented voice and sung in a country band for fun. His

family was important to him and he cherished the time spent with them, especially with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Buddy leaves behind to cherish his memory, son: Tim Land and wife Paula of Salem, MO; daughter: Annette Vest and husband Terry of Salem, MO; grandchildren: Amber Yates and husband Miles, Britney Christesen and husband Phil, Shauna Camden and husband Klay, and Briana Thompson and husband Matt; great-grandchildren: Harley, Ella, Sawyer, Emeri, Parker, Drew, Will, Luke, and Cora; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and dear friends.

Preceding him in death, his loving wife: Barbara Ann Land; parents: Ben and Effie Land; and his siblings.

Buddy was a man of faith and leaves behind a legacy of love and devotion. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Funeral Services for David "Buddy" Ray Land were held Wednesday, December 29, 2021 in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Pastor Lyndell Decker officiating. Song Selections played were "Go Rest High On That Mountain" and "When I Get Where I'm Going". Serving as Pallbearers were Terry Vest, Miles Yates, Klay Camden, Jon Woods, Darrell Fisk, and Chet Yost. Burial was in the Mt. Hermon Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Online condolences may be entered at wilsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Hermon

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

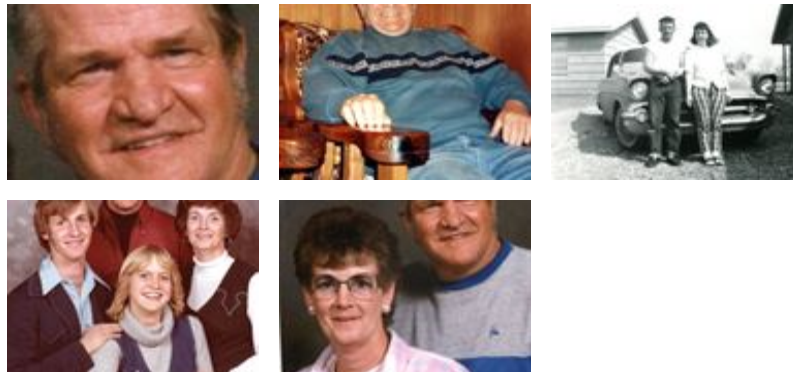
GC

“ When I was young there were uncles in my life that molded who I am now. Buddy was definately one of those. One of my first jobs was carrying shingles to him and Kenny. Kenny was pretty easy on me, but Buddy not so much. He fired me once, but then hired me back. He absolutely was there to give me work ethic. If not for him and a few others I would probably be in jail. I will never forget all the hunting trips and pool playing. Uncle Buddy, you will forever be part of my good memories and never forgotten. Rest in peace as I am sure you are in a better place. Gary Clifton

Gary Clifton - December 31, 2021 at 03:42 PM



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Wilson Mortuary - December 28, 2021 at 07:15 PM

HS

“ I remember when I was a kid that we ran out of gas and he came us some and my father really like him and his parents I will sure miss buddy ever time I was down he always made me smile miss u friend

Heather suggs - December 27, 2021 at 09:30 PM

SA

“ *Sandy lit a candle in memory of David "Buddy" Ray Land*



Sandy - December 27, 2021 at 02:21 PM

RN

“ *So sorry to hear about the passing of your father. I know dad and him were close and that he loved playing music with Buddy. He was a good man and friend*

Robin (Raulston) Norton - December 27, 2021 at 12:44 PM

RL

“ *Rick & Debbie Land lit a candle in memory of David "Buddy" Ray Land*



Rick & Debbie Land - December 27, 2021 at 11:26 AM