



Jackie O. Kearbey

January 14, 2018 - May 1, 2018

Jackie O. Kearbey, Sr. was born Jan. 14, 1937 in rural Butler County, Missouri, a son of the late Braidy Champ and Cassie Lee (Bailey) Kearbey. Jack, formerly of Poplar Bluff, entered eternal rest Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at the Missouri Veterans Home in St. James, Missouri where he had resided for over 14 years.

Jack married Sarah Olivia Mostellar July 12, 1959, in Midway, Alabama. To the union two children were born: Jackie O. Kearbey, Jr. and Kathryn Olivia (Kearbey) Wiggins.

He is survived by his son Jack Jr. (Julie) of St. James, and daughter Olivia (Mark) Wiggins, of Highlandville, Missouri. Jack also has four grandchildren, Cassie (Kearbey) Block, of Willard, Missouri, Christopher Kearbey (Shelby), of Park Hills, Missouri, Zachary Wiggins, of Nixa, Missouri, and Jacob Wiggins, of Highlandville. Two great-grandchildren, Brody and Braiden Block of Willard; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends. The other family who are very near and dear to our hearts are the fellow Veteran residents, and staff of the Missouri Veterans Home in St. James who take such pride in caring for each of the Veterans that have passed through the doors over the years, and showed a tremendous love to our beloved Dad, Grandpa, Great-Grandpa, and friend.

He was preceded in death by his wife, father, mother, and brothers, Harold Kearbey, Jim Kearbey, Ace Kearbey, and Hoover Kearbey; and his sister, Eileen (Kearbey) LeGrand.

Jack was a long time member of the Bethel Chapel located in Butler County; a member of the Poplar Bluff Chapter #344 of the Order of the Eastern Star, where he served in many positions; he was also a 50 plus member of the Masons.

Jack joined the United States Air Force in 1959 and spent the next 20 years serving his country, returning to the family farm after he retired. Jack worked for a number of years at LeGrand's feed and Fertilizer in Poplar Bluff, he really enjoyed working with the farmers. He will always be remembered for always wanting to help anyone that needed any type of assistance. At the Veterans home he always had candy and bubble gum that he gave out when people came to help him or to just visit him.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at the St. James Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary and also from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, 2018 at the Cotrell Funeral Home in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, with the service to be held on Friday, May 11, 2018 at 10:00 AM, at the Cotrell Funeral Home. Burial with Full Military Honors will be at the Kearbey Chapel Cemetery in Butler County. Memorials are suggested and appreciated to the St. James Veterans Home Assistance League at the Missouri Veterans Home in St. James, a group that supports our Veterans at the St. James facility. Cards are available at both funeral homes.

Cemetery Details

Kearbey Chapel Cemetery

Butler County, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - St. James
117 Seymour St.
St. James, MO 65559
(573) 265-3232
dcjames@fidnet.com
<https://www.jamesgahrmortuary.com/>

Visitation

MAY 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cotrell Funeral Home
701 Vine Street
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Service

MAY 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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701 Vine Street
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Military Honors

MAY **11**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Kearbey Chapel Cemetery
Butler County, MO

Tribute Wall



“ Jackie O. Kearbey

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ Jackie O. Kearbey

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jackie O. Kearbey.



May 09, 2018 at 08:01 AM



“ We always enjoyed visiting with Jackie when we went to St. James. He always seemed concerned about others. I know he will be missed by so many.
Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family.
Gene & Glenda Brown

glenda Brown - May 07, 2018 at 08:02 PM



“ Our dearest Jackie such a great person I loved to talk and care for you and the soda pops we would have n dining hall and the talks we'd have miss u Jackie but will see u again my friend

Joan green - May 05, 2018 at 12:01 PM

BO

“ Jackie was a wonderful man. I have had the privilege to assist Jack in a lot of our departments. From cooking to just plan sitting and talking to him. He will be greatly missed. Buttermilk and pork rinds he would have me get for him at Walmart. Jack called me Lucille after the song. He would always tell me to play Walbash Cannon ball. Jack we love you Rip



Brenda Ortiz - May 05, 2018 at 04:53 AM

BM

“ Jackie D has shared stories that will always be in my heart. Especially the day he married his wife and their first home. He would always laugh every time he told it to me. He love his home town and his family. I was blessed to have know him. No words could say what a great man I knew. Brenda Mc

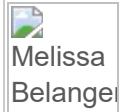
Brenda McCracken - May 04, 2018 at 09:47 PM

 Letha Nichols

“ Jackie dean was the name my mother gave him after he moved into veterans home..He was an amazing man and loved by many..Jackie always had his special names for the employees..I will always be Dr. Twinkle Toes.. "Twink" and he called my mom "pill lady" or he would say hey momma lol..I had the privilege of taking care of Jackie for almost 14 yrs and I am honored..He was a great friend and we shared many stories of our family lifes ..prayers and hugs to all of the kearbey family..



Letha Nichols - May 04, 2018 at 05:17 PM



Melissa
Belanger

Jack always made me laugh, He always made my day with his smile..He always had little nic names for us all. I will remember him always..prayers to the kearby family 💙

Melissa Belanger-Beaulieu - May 05, 2018 at 09:16 PM



DD

There are so many memories, how to choose just one. My Uncle was always there for family. When he found an old car or truck for sale, he would call Les and tell him what a good deal it was. When Les built his yellow 57 Chevy pickup, Jackie wanted a picture of it. He was always trying to help everyone. We will miss him!

Dottie Dunker - May 09, 2018 at 07:11 AM