



## Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske

April 5, 1926 - February 9, 2018

Theodore Martin Ziske Jr. was born on April 5th, 1926 in Evanston Illinois, the only son of Theo and Lola Ziske. He grew up in Salem, graduating from high school in 1944. After serving as a naval corpsman, Ted attended and graduated from St Louis University School of Dentistry. He began his dental practice in 1954 and devoted his life to serving his community not only as a dentist, but as a member of the Rotary Club, R-80 school board, Salem Memorial District Hospital board and as an instructor at the MSSU dental hygienist program. Ted had a genuine appreciation for the Ozarks, both its natural beauty and its people. He had a great many true friends, whom he appreciated and enjoyed. Ted is preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Gretchen. He is survived by his son Philip and wife Melanie Ziske, daughter Sarah and husband James Swindell; grandchildren Walt Duecker, Miles and wife Alexis Duecker, Adam Ziske, and Sam Swindell; and dog, Zeb. Funeral services for Theodore Martin Ziske Jr. will be held at the Salem United Methodist Church at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Internment will be at Cedar Grove Cemetery. A visitation for family and friends will be held at the Church on Monday, February 12, 2018 from 4-8PM. Memorials are suggested and appreciated to The Fitness Center @ Healthy Dent County / or to the Bonebrake Nature Center. Cards are available at all James & Gahr locations.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Grove Cemetery

Salem, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 12. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Salem United Methodist Church  
Salem, MO 65560

## Service

FEB 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Just heard of the passing of Dr. Ziske. So sorry! He was a great man and dentist. He was fun and had great heart. Glad he had a full life and shared it with all of us. He will be missed.*

**Cecile Ross** - March 01, 2018 at 08:41 PM



“ *Fond memories of a dear friend. Thinking of his family at this difficult time.*

*Janet Kinder*



**janet Kinder** - February 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM



“ *Sarah, Sorry to hear about your Dad. Our sympathy to you and your family. McLain's, Cuba, MO*

**Janet McLain** - February 13, 2018 at 09:18 AM

BS

“ *Dr Ziske, shared on more than one occasion, that after winning an appointment to the US Naval Academy and attending for 1 year, resigned, so he could serve when war broke out in WWII. Appreciate his selfless service, and example to us all. Praying the God of all comfort ministers to your family during this time of loss. God bless...*

*Bill & Sheri Stack*

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**Bill Stack** - February 12, 2018 at 08:07 PM

RM

“ *Excerpt from a letter received from Ted " Z-man" Ziske a while ago: BULL DOZERS AND CONCRETE TRUCKS INVADE SINKIN CREEK.*

*In a vulgar attempt to attract tourists, the Missouri Park System removed most of the soil on Sinkin Creek at Camp Zoe and replaced it with massive concrete lodges, restaurants and "GIFT SHOPS".*

*Another excerpt:*

*ELDERLY FISHERMEN RESCUED BY MASS MOBILIZATION*

*All available personnel in the Water Patrol, The U.S. Park Service and the Missouri Department of Conservation were called to rescue two elderly men seen wandering aimlessly on a gravel bar on Upper Current River. (The fishermen were later identified as Ted and Richard)*

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**Richard Marsden** - February 12, 2018 at 12:05 PM

MD

*A Resonating, "Oh Boy!", could be heard from Heaven above as Ted "Doc" finally waded into the most spectacular River of them all. God Bless all of Ted's Family and friends.*

**Mark Duecker** - February 13, 2018 at 01:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske.*



February 12, 2018 at 09:22 AM

MT

“ *Michi, Rex, Tammy, Marc and Stephanie Torbit purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske.*



**Michi, Rex, Tammy, Marc and Stephanie Torbit** - February 11, 2018 at 10:15 PM

SB

“ *So sorry for your loss, he was such a special and colorful man. He was such a good friend to my dad. I just know that they are in heaven now fishing and hunting like old times. Sending love and prayers to you all! Susan Ball Berry*

**Susanne Ball Berry** - February 11, 2018 at 09:37 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Theodore "Ted" Martin Ziske.*



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February 11, 2018 at 05:25 PM