



Merle Dean Strowmatt

February 8, 1930 - June 10, 2018

Merle Dean Strowmatt, age 88, of Gravois Mills, passed away Sunday, June 10, 2018, at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles. He was born February 8, 1930, in Roodhouse, Illinois, a son of the late Lee and Leona (Elliott) Strowmatt.

Merle was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps having served in the Korean Conflict.

While living in St. Louis, he worked for The Teamsters Union as a lab technician. After moving to Versailles, he established Central States Refining, Inc. and remained in business for fifty-five years.

His favorite hobbies included playing golf, traveling, flying airplanes and collecting cars and speed boats.

He was a member of the National Rifle Association and Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

Merle is survived by his son, Craig Strowmatt of the home; his friend for many years, Cher McMillan of Stover, Missouri; brothers, Richard Keith Strowmatt of the state of California and Jimmy Strowmatt of Manchester, Illinois and five nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by

a brother, Robert Strowmatt and sisters, Barbara Strowmatt and Marian Shull.

Thank you to Good Shepherd Care Center and Hospice Compassus for your loving care. Also, thank you to special friends, Mary Ella Zimmerman and Minnie Jett for your love and thoughtfulness.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 Noon, Thursday, June 14th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles. Graveside services and interment will follow in the Versailles Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, Thursday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions are suggested to an animal shelter of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Cemetery Details

Versailles Cemetery

550 Clay Road
Versailles, MO 65084

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel
207 North Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084
(573) 378-4655

Service

JUN 14. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RP

“ I want to say, I'm truly sorry for the family in the loss of Merle. I knew Merle for many years, in his business of recovery systems. He was not only a business contract but a true friend and I personally will miss him. Prayers to all and Rest In Peace Merle.
Sincerely,
Ray Peterson

Raymond Peterson - October 10, 2018 at 03:26 AM

MM

“ Prayers for the family. Lee and Margaret Elliott was my aunt and Uncle. I was Marcelle Walpole. Your all in my thoughts and prayers.

marcelle(Walpole) Masters-Adams - June 16, 2018 at 06:50 AM

CS

“ My uncle Dean was one of the most admired men in our family. He was witty, considerate, funny, and firm. My family enjoyed many weekends and summer trips to his home for airplane rides, boat rides, and generous dinners. He influenced my life in many ways without him being aware of it. I always looked up to him and always felt that he was just a phone call or road trip away. My family will miss him and were blessed to have been a small part of his life. RIP Uncle Dean, we always loved you and will feel the void of your departure.

Chad Strowmatt - June 14, 2018 at 08:32 PM

DH

“ I was at Central States working for Merle for 8 years in the late 70's to mid 80's. Merle was the greatest employer I ever had! Also a great and dear friend, I will miss him.

DONNY HIBDON

Donny Hibdon - June 14, 2018 at 09:49 AM

BE

“ My husband and I ran into Merle many Friday evenings while we were having dinner it always nice to stop and visit with Merle and friend! RIP Merle

betty - June 13, 2018 at 03:36 PM

JH

“ Jim And Barb Homan lit a candle in memory of Merle Dean Strowmatt



Jim and Barb Homan - June 13, 2018 at 03:25 PM

PM

“ Preston Moore lit a candle in memory of Merle Dean Strowmatt



Preston Moore - June 12, 2018 at 11:10 PM

JA

“ *Jim, Tracy & Savanna Ashbaugh lit a candle in memory of Merle Dean Strowmatt*



Jim, Tracy & Savanna Ashbaugh - June 12, 2018 at 09:42 PM

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Jim, Tracy & Savanna Ashbaugh - June 12, 2018 at 09:41 PM

PW

“ *Paul And Susan White lit a candle in memory of Merle Dean Strowmatt*



Paul and Susan White - June 12, 2018 at 04:55 PM

CM

“ *Carrie Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Merle Dean Strowmatt*



Carrie Mitchell - June 12, 2018 at 09:22 AM