



## Ralph Walter "Mr. B" Brand

January 10, 1935 - February 7, 2024

Ralph Walter "Mr. B" Brand, age 89, of Sunrise Beach, passed away February 7, 2024, at the Laurie Care Center surrounded by family. He was born January 10, 1935, in Los Angeles, California, son of the late Earl and Mildred (Andren) Brand.

On August 10, 1957, in Inglewood, California, he was united in marriage to his surviving wife, Barbara Lou McWhorter.

Ralph proudly served his country for two years in the United States Army.

He and his wife Barbara owned and operated Griff's Burger Bar in Kansas City, Kansas for thirty-one years until his retirement. After selling Griff's, he and Barbara moved to the Lake of the Ozarks where they enjoyed living for the last twenty plus years.

Ralph spent time watching his favorite old television shows. He knew the history of many of the actors and actresses having met many of them while living in California in his younger years. He also enjoyed gardening, was an avid KU Basketball and Kansas City Chiefs fan and loved being doted on and spoiled by his loving wife.

In addition to his wife, Barbara Brand, he is survived by his children, Randy

Brand and wife Ginger of Edwardsville, Kansas and Catherine (Brand) Saathoff and husband Mike of Bradley, Illinois; grandchildren, Ron Brand, Rebecca (Whitehead) Laue, Kristen Whitehead and Mathew Whitehead; great-grandchildren, Aiden and Mason Laue, Ryleigh Whitehead and Luca, Oliver and Charlotte Brand and many other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Christopher Brand.

A celebration of Ralph's life will be held at a later date.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

# Tribute Wall



“ I worked at Griff’s a number of years and my mom did too. Mr. B taught me customer service, respect and working hard that I followed all my working years.

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