



## Robert Joseph Vance

November 25, 1939 - May 17, 2017

Robert Joseph Vance, age 77, of Laurie, passed away Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at his home. He was born on November 25, 1939, in Kansas City, Kansas.

He graduated from Park Hill High School in 1957 and attended Drury University in Springfield, Missouri. Bob joined the United States Army in 1962 and served in Omaha, Nebraska and in Germany until 1965. Bob was employed at General Motors from 1966 until he retired. He also spent time volunteering for the Parkville Police Department.

On December 30, 1979, in Laughlin, Nevada, he was united in marriage to Loretta, who preceded him in death on May 10, 2013.

Bob loved living at the lake, especially while spending time fishing. He enjoyed telling his good jokes to family and friends. Bob was an avid Kansas City Chiefs fan.

He was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie, the American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624 in Sunrise Beach and was a dedicated supporter of law enforcement and the Highway Patrol.

He is survived by his daughter, Mikki Lewis and her husband Tom and

grandchildren, Megan and Matthew; his son, Michael Vance and wife Jennifer; a brother, Bill Vance; sister, Linda Cavanaugh; a step-daughter, Tina Chituck and grandchildren, Travis Cash and Jessica Cash and great-grandchildren, Haley Cash and Matthew Cash. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, David and Helen Vance and a brother, Jack Vance.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 Noon, Tuesday, May 23rd, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Laurie with Father John Schmitz officiating. Graveside services and interment with full military honors will follow in the Garber Memorial Estates Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Highway Patrol Safety Organization or to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Garber Memorial Estates

417 Silvey Rd.  
Laurie, MO 65038  
(573) 374-7688

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 23.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

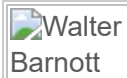
Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

Walter  
Barnott

“ *When I was a caregiver to Robert from October 2015 to October of 2016 I would listen with Interest to the Memories of his when he was in the Army & Overseas how when he was coming back on a ship how the boat was in Rough Seas how his army buddies would be sea sick and Green around the Gills as he would describe it. I listened in awe to his stories of how he would work at General Motors all day and come home and work on his last home he stayed in at The Lake of the Ozarks in Laurie, Missouri. He was very intelligent and comical. He was a Good Man, and a kind soul and enriched my life with his memories. Rest in Peace Robert you will be missed.*

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**Walter Barnott** - May 24, 2017 at 12:14 PM

KH

“ *We attended Park Hill high school with Bob. So sorry to hear of his passing. Lowell and Kae Hardesty*

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**Kae Hardesty** - May 21, 2017 at 05:51 PM

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**K E Wilcox** - May 21, 2017 at 11:01 AM

KW

“ My condolences to Mikki, Michael, Bill, and Bob's entire family. I first met Bob while I was working for the Platte Woods PD and Bob became City Marshall. He was very eager to learn about law enforcement and we rode many hours together. Later Bob moved on to Riverside PD and spent several years as an officer and Detective. He will certainly be missed by all that knew and worked with him.

--Kim Wilcox

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**K E Wilcox** - May 21, 2017 at 10:41 AM

HT

*I had the pleasure of working with Bob at Riverside, Mo police Department. Bob worked with me in the Dective division. We had a great time working together. I will miss his jokes and friendship.*

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**Harold Trotter** - May 24, 2017 at 04:42 PM

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**K E Wilcox** - May 21, 2017 at 10:26 AM

BB

*I have known Bob since he was in high school at Park Hill. I extend my deepest sympathy and love to the family. May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory. Barbara Bucker*

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**Barbara Bucker** - May 21, 2017 at 03:02 PM