



Bob Pragman

September 22, 1942 - April 24, 2020

Robert "Bob" Kurt Pragman passed away April 24, 2020 at St. Luke's Hospital from complications of COVID-19.

Bob was born September 22, 1942 to the late Elmer Pragman and the late Evelyn Pragman (Huddelston) in Higginsville, MO.

Bob lived in Corder until he graduated from Corder High School in 1960. He was a member of the Salem United Church of Christ in Higginsville.

After high school he moved to Kansas City while working for Hallmark cards.

He moved back to Corder where he started driving a gas truck for Irvin

Kleinschmidt which he greatly enjoyed. Bob joined the Army National Guard from 1964-1970 and he married Peggy (Ridder) Pragman on June 13, 1965;

she survives of the home. After his service he started a position with the Lake

City Ammunition Plant where he worked in the printing department and this

started his life in the printing industry. After being laid off he returned to

Higginsville and started working for Bill Butts at the Higginsville Advance. In

1975 he went to work at Burd and Fletcher Printing in Kansas City. In 1976 he

became an Honorary Member of the Graphic Communications Conference

International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Bob worked here until the plant was

shut down and then continued his profession at Jefferson Smurfit in North

Kansas City. He continued working there until he suffered a stroke on

December 23, 2004 which led to his retirement.

Bob's passions were his love of cars and Elvis Presley. He became a very

avid drag racing competitor. Earlier in his life he and 4 other buddies were

known as the fearless five among local residents of Corder. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, bowling, and working on cars. Later in life he enjoyed traveling, especially to Las Vegas. He loved going to the casinos, seeing all the lights, attending shows, and being with family and friends.

Surviving are his wife, Peggy Pragman of the home; nephew, Kurt (Johnna) Lorenz; great-nephew, Brandon Lorenz and great-niece, Morgann Lorenz all of Odessa. Niece, Shannon (Dean) Love of Fulton, MO; great-nephew Joshua Gassen and two great-great nephews, Avery and Oliver Gassen, all of Belton. Sister-in-law, Emika Pragman of Higginsville; sister-in-law and brother in-law, Sue and Jerry Garrett of Joplin, MO; nephew, Bradley Garrett of Mansfield, TX; great-niece, Hailey Garrett of Columbia, MO; great-niece and great-nephew, Chloey and Zachary Garrett both of Arlington, TX; nephew, Brett (Megan) Garrett of Marshfield, MO; nephew and niece, Alvin Ridder Jr. and Mary Ellen Golt both of Great Falls, MT. Great-nephews, A.J. (Liz) Golt of Brunswick, NJ and Will (Luisa) Golt of Great Falls, MT; two great-great nephews, Johnathan and James Golt of Great Falls, MT; one aunt, Flo Huddleston of Independence, MO; many cousins and friends; five special kids that always called him "Papa Bob", Andrew and Jordan Novotny, and Katie, Lauryn, and Caroline Schumaker.

Those that preceded him in death were his parents; sister and brother-in-law, Joyce and Don Lorenz; niece, Stacia Donn Lorenz; brother, Don Pragman; brother-in-law, Alvin Ridder Sr; two nieces, Rose Walker and Peggy Steed; and great-nephew, Z.J. Gassen.

A Celebration of Bob's Life will be held Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 2:30PM with a visitation one hour prior at Salem United Church of Christ in Higginsville. Burial will follow in the Calvary Cemetery with full military honors. Memorials may be made out to Salem United Church of Christ. Honorary Bearers: Gary Bauer, Greg Lorenz, Ray Don Paul, Dennis "Pepper" Hill, Jamie Schumaker.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

20 Highway
Corder, MO 64021

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 24. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Salem United Church of Christ
1500 N Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
salemucc@ctcis.net
<http://www.salemucchigginsville.org>

Celebration of Life

APR 24. 2:30 PM - 3:15 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bob Pragman*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Bob Pragman*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Bob Pragman*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *Bob Pragman*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral procession & Military Honors*



Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc. - April 26, 2021 at 07:44 PM

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“ His voice and laugh reminded me so much of my dad (his Uncle George Huddleston). Dad loved him so much! He will be missed. Love to you Peggy.

Norma - April 21, 2021 at 12:44 PM

LS

“ One of my favorite memory of Papa Bob is he’s a #1 fan of the Royals and he got to see me cheer! This is a picture of me and Papa Bob together with my fan section and my fan section made me a banner! ❤️ - always, Lauryn Schumaker 🥰



Lauryn Schumaker - April 21, 2021 at 12:35 PM

BO

“ I’m so sorry. I miss Bob so much. I miss calling him dad and our talks on Friday. He was so much fun to talk too. Prayers for you Peggy.
Xoxox

Bonnie - April 15, 2021 at 11:21 AM

SG

“ Sister-----I am so sorry for the lost of Bob and I'll never forget the morning you called to tell me he was gone. I couldn't believe it but I am so glad you got to "face time" with him that afternoon and tell him you LOVED HIM. When you called me about that you were so excited. You know the nurses took good care of him for the things they did for him and we thank them for that. Hey Bob don't wear all the casinos out before I get there to join you. Love you Sister Suzie

Sue Garrett - April 30, 2020 at 09:52 PM

MW

“ Peggy, so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. My thoughts & prayers are with you and your family. Remember all the good times and memories you have, they will get you through the sad times. Thinking of you.
Marg Zacha Wheeler

Margaret Wheeler - April 28, 2020 at 10:22 PM

JB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss Peggy. May he rest in peace.!



Judy Battereson - April 28, 2020 at 09:28 PM

BG

“ So many great memories with Uncle Bob..one of the many was the ride he took me on in his red Corvette he had ordered. Can't remember exactly how old I was, maybe middle teens, would have to check with Aunt Peg, definitely impressionable with fast cars. Don't tell the cops but he did a bit of a burnout down main Street and we headed out of town to one of the many two lane roads they used to drag on when they were younger. I remember being so excited and scared at the same time as he opened that car up and each individual phone pole turned into one brown streak. 151 on the dash and I will remember that feeling with him until the day I go. Never said it enough but we loved you dearly Uncle Bob, hope you are sitting in the big casino in the sky, Hawaiian shirt on drinking a diet Coke.

Brett & Megan Garrett - April 28, 2020 at 01:03 AM

KH

“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.



Kim H - April 27, 2020 at 02:17 PM

FH

“ So sorry to hear about Bob's passing. Take comfort in knowing that he is in Heaven. Thinking of the whole family and sending prayers.
Frances Held, Amy Raney

Frances Held - April 26, 2020 at 09:15 PM

JS

“ *Peggy, :Let us know when, we'll be there.*
John & Shirley Alexander

John & Shirley - April 26, 2020 at 07:54 PM