



Bob Tankesley

May 13, 1933 - March 28, 2022

Robert Eugene "Bob" Tankesley, 88 of Higginsville, Missouri, passed away on Monday, March 28, 2022, at Meyer Care Center. He was born Saturday, May 13, 1933 in Lexington, Missouri, to the late Jesse Tankesley and the late Alice Mae (Stoner) Tankesley.

Robert graduated from Higginsville High School - Class of 1951. Soon after, he married Carol (Stumpenhous) Tankesley on July 20, 1951. They spent 61 wonderful years together until her passing on June 5, 2012. After high school he would walk to A&P Butchery to work as a butcher. He later worked for 7UP Bottling Company and spent 30+ years until his retirement. After retirement he worked for his beloved Kansas City Chiefs in the maintenance department. Bob enjoyed riding with friends to go work for the Chiefs. His love of sports started at a young age. He enjoyed playing football in high school and grew to be a loyal fan of MU Tigers, the Kansas City Royals and the Kansas City Chiefs. Bob was very social and loved having coffee with his friends or playing cards just to be able to socialize. He was an avid reader and loved history. He felt at peace in nature and would enjoy strolling through Confederate Park or tending to his beloved garden. He will be greatly missed by all who came to know him.

Surviving are two daughters, Cherri Wilson of Lebanon, MO and Debbie Tankesley of Kansas City, MO; one granddaughter, Emily Wilson (Scott Johnson) of Scottsdale, AZ.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Carol; one son, Robert

"Bret" Tankesley; and one brother, Lee Tankesley.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, March 31, 2022 at Salem United Church of Christ, with Rev. Dr. Tommy Faris officiating.

Interment will follow in the Salem Cemetery in Higginsville.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made out to Preferred Hospice or Salem UCC - Women's Circle.

Cemetery Details

Salem Cemetery

Higginsville, MO 64037

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 31. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

Salem United Church of Christ

1500 N Main St.

Higginsville, MO 64037

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<http://www.salemucchigginsville.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Bob Tankesley*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Bob Tankesley*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Bob Tankesley*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *Bob Tankesley*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *I did not know Mr. Tankesley personally but I was in HS with his daughter Debbie. I am very sorry for your loss. I will keep all of you in my prayers. Debbie, I have good memories of Home Ec and PE when we were in class together.*

Anna Limback Fricke

Anna Fricke - March 31, 2022 at 08:52 AM

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“ Bob was a friendly, kind man. My parents thought alot of him. I remember last visiting with him and Carol at my mom's funeral in 2011. They had a nice visit with my sister, Nancy and I. We express our sympathy.
Robin Eaton



Robin Eaton - March 30, 2022 at 07:41 AM

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“ M.R.Gash lit a candle in memory of Bob Tankesley



M.R.Gash - March 29, 2022 at 10:52 AM

RS

Sorry to hear of Bob's passing !

Rick Stone - March 29, 2022 at 02:31 PM

BR

Bob was a very kind, loving person. I knew him and Carol most of their lives. They are together once again. My sympathy to your girls for your loss.

Betty Rinne - March 31, 2022 at 12:56 PM