



## PeeWee Woods

October 24, 1939 - November 12, 2021

Wilburn "PeeWee" R. Woods, 82 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away on Friday, November 12, 2021, at Western Missouri Medical Center in Warrensburg, Missouri.

He was born Tuesday, October 24, 1939 in Higginsville, and was the son of the late Wilburn Woods and the late Ruth Woods (Fields). He attended Higginsville High School before joining the United States Marine Corps. PeeWee proudly served his country from 1957-1960 earning the rank of Lance Corporal. He married Annerose Woods (Moll) on July 6, 1983 and spent 38 wonderful years together. He was a member of Salem United Church of Christ. PeeWee worked for Lake City Ammunition Plant for 32 years. PeeWee was an active man, always staying busy. He loved to fish, work in the yard, and enjoyed hunting. His favorite pastime was hanging out at Annerose's beauty shop cleaning and talking to all the customers. He never missed a chance to stop and talk. He always had a smile and a story to tell. PeeWee served his community with complete sincerity and commitment. He helped anyone that needed it and started every day with positivity. PeeWee loved his family, the armed forces, and he enjoyed helping others. He will not only be missed by his friends and family, but his entire community will feel the loss of such a great man.

Surviving are his wife, Annerose Woods of the home; two sons, George Bass of Columbia, MO, Leroy Gilbert of Ozark, MO; three daughters, Kim Woods of Kansas City, MO, Silvia Steele of Branson, MO, Christine J. Gilbert of

Sarasota, FL; one sister, Debra Woods of Overland Park, KS; 11 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Nettie Woods and Betty Woods.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home 1600 Main St. Higginsville, Missouri.

A graveside service with military honors will follow at 2:00 PM in the Missouri Veterans Chapel with Rev. Dr. Tommy Faris officiating.

Casket Bearers: George Bass, Jacob Moll, Leroy Gilbert, Eric Gilbert.

Memorials may be made out to Family Choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery

20109 Business Highway 13  
Higginsville, MO 64037  
<http://www.mvc.dps.mo.gov>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc.  
1600 Main St.  
Higginsville, MO 64037  
1-660-584-3400  
[hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com](mailto:hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com)  
<http://www.stewarthoeferfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

NOV 17. 2:00 PM - 2:20 PM (CT)

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Higginsville, MO 64037  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *PeeWee Woods*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *PeeWee Woods*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *PeeWee Woods*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *PeeWee Woods*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *"Semper Fidelis- Always Faithful, Always Loyal" The Marines Motto.*

*Mr. Wilburn "Pee Wee" Woods was someone who knew me ever since I was born. I knew his mother, father, and grandmother, and sisters. He would always call me "Bea." It would make me smile. Then frequently he would quote Latin and had that twinkle in his eyes, sometimes saying "Always Faithful, Always Loyal." I saw the Latin on his Marine cap one day. He was proud of many things, especially of serving his country as a marine. I always found him to be friendly and talkative. I am still in unbelief that we won't see each other at the post office, on the street, Walmart, or at Moose's. He will be sorely missed. He was a great light in our community. You always need friendly people where you live and he was one. My heartfelt condolence to his family. I will continue to pray for you.*

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**Linda Smith** - November 17, 2021 at 10:40 AM

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“ *Please accept my sincerest condolences to the Woods family. PeeWee was a very nice man and always a pleasure to run into on the street.*

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**Gary Stoecklin** - November 16, 2021 at 12:31 PM

BS

“ *will miss peewee and his wit.... for many years I would see him at the post office and would always discuss the days plans...with him.... he was a daily does of humor,,,, he will be missed by many rest in piece my friend... bob stephenson*

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**bob stephenson** - November 15, 2021 at 07:20 PM

“Grandpa PeeWee is such a wonderful person and a great grandpa. He was the most animated and happy person I ever met in my life. I will miss him so much. He always had a huge smile on his face. I have so many awesome memories of him but a few are my favorite: he always had a pack of gum on him and always offered me a piece of gum every time I saw him. I will always treasure staying the night at grandma and grandpa's house as a child; he always knew that when my cousin Christy and I were coming that we would want sloppy joes for dinner because it was our favorite. He made the best sloppy joes in the world! He also makes the best banana bread (that I have never been able to perfect)!!

After dinner, grandpa would turn on his favorite movies that usually starred Jean Claude Van Damme and would proceed to do karate chops and kicks in the living room while saying "hoo-yah!" and tell stories about his time in the military. All of us grandkids got a kick out of that!!

As a kid, I learned a lot from my grandpa such as how to fly a kite and how to fish. He was the first to buy me my own fishing pole and help me load my first worm on the hook. He was always there for everyone in the family; us grandkids were absolutely no exception to that.

Everyone who knows Grandpa PeeWee knows that one of his favorite things to do is go to Walmart and socialize with anyone who would listen to him talk. He told strangers about how great his grandchildren are, about his German wife, and how he sprichst du deutsch. He brought a smile to everyone's face. Grandpa was goofy at times and serious at times but one thing was always certain- he made sure you knew how much you were loved.

After visits to grandma and grandpas house and it was time to go home, grandpa stood at the front step watching you leave, waving goodbye the whole time, until you were down the street.

*He was just fantastic and we will miss him so. Thank you, grandpa, for being such a good man, such an amazing husband to grandma, and a wonderful grandpa to all of us kids. I will never ever forget it and you will be treasured and remembered always.*

*Rest in Peace. I Love You.*

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**Lacey Courchaine** - November 15, 2021 at 05:48 PM