



Weasel Wahlers

November 24, 1947 - June 23, 2025

Larry Ray "Weasel" Wahlers, 77 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away on Monday, June 23, 2025, at Western Missouri Medical Center in Warrensburg, Missouri.

He was born Monday, November 24, 1947 in Higginsville to the late Raymond Wahlers and the late Lorene (Link) Wahlers. Weasel was a graduate of Lafayette County C-1 High School, Class of 1965. In 1967, he proudly began his service as a Sergeant in the United States Air Force, serving honorably until 1971.

On December 3, 1973, he married the love of his life, Florence "Tootsie" (Fiene) Wahlers. Together, they shared 43 wonderful years of marriage filled with laughter, love, and lasting memories. Tootsie preceded him in death on May 22, 2017, and not a day passed that he didn't miss her.

Weasel spent part of his career working for the City of Higginsville before joining the Ford Motor Company in Kansas City, Missouri. A true jack-of-all-trades, he had a natural gift for fixing anything and was often found tinkering with plumbing, woodworking projects, or offering a helping hand to friends and neighbors.

He had a deep love for the outdoors and found joy in fishing, frog hunting, mushroom hunting, and was always happy to share his stories and discoveries. A social butterfly by nature, Weasel never met a stranger. His warm smile, sharp wit, and genuine interest in others made him a beloved figure in the community.

He leaves behind a legacy of hard work, kindness, and a life well-lived. He will be deeply missed not only by his family but also by countless friends and neighbors whose lives he touched over the years.

Surviving are two sons, Jason (Julie) Wahlers of Kansas City, MO and Shane (Shenna) Hackley of Kansas City; one daughter, DD Averill (Wahlers) of Higginsville; two brothers, Ronnie Wahlers (Sherry Borgdstadt) of Higginsville, Gary Wahlers of Higginsville; one sister, Marilyn Riekhof of Higginsville; six grandchildren, Madison Averill, Tyler Hackley, Kelsey Hackley, Grey Hackley, Brittany Terryn, and Leila Williamson.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Tootsie Wahlers; and one sister, Marjorie (Tudy) Ann Thaller.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, 1600 Main St. Higginsville, Missouri.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, June 30, 2025 at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home. Burial with military honors will follow in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery. Casket bearers: Chris Arbogast, Dylan Arbogast, Jeff Arbogast, Colton Arbogast, Grey Hackley, Ross Marth. Honorary casket bearers: Aaron Heimsoth, Kim Heimsoth, Jennifer Marth, Michelle Wahlers.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 29. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc.
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Funeral Service

JUN 30. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“Wow was he ever fun, so many memories of him when I was just a kid, give you the shirt off his back kinda guy, he will be missed by so many.”

kendall w rinne - June 26, 2025 at 09:32 AM

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“Weasel was a good and kind person. That is a great tribute about his life.”

Mark Smith - June 25, 2025 at 06:46 AM

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Sorry for your loss. I have many good memories of working for the Wahlers family on the hay crew for several years. Great people to work for and with.

Bruce Kosmiski - June 26, 2025 at 01:54 PM