



Donald Bernhardt

February 2, 1938 - March 16, 2025

Donald Bernhardt, 87, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Sunday, March 16, 2025 at his home.

He was born February 2, 1938 in Franklin, Iowa to LeRoy John and Pauline Haffner Bernhardt.

He and Melba Irene Cox were married July 6, 1963 at Crosstown, Missouri. She preceded him in death on January 26, 2022.

He served in the United States Army.

He was a graduate of Donnellson High School.

He was a pharmacy technician at Unnerstall Drug Store for 33 years, retiring in 1997. After retirement he worked at Bi State Southern Oil.

He was active in supporting his children, grandkids and great-grandkids sporting events.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, where he was in the Men's Club, Usher and Sunday School Superintendent. He was also a member of American Legion Post 63, Modern Woodmen of America and McDonald's

Coffee Club.

Survivors include a daughter, Heather Jean Mouser of Cape Girardeau; three sons, David (Marlene) Bernhardt of Coleman, Florida, Stephen John Bernhardt of Cape Girardeau, Jeffry Scott (Donna) Bernhardt of Dupou, Illinois; a brother, Terry Bernhardt of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; seven grandchildren, Brooke Nicole Bernhardt, Noah Donald Bernhardt, Hannah Irene (Nick) Bernhardt, Kenton Lee (Emmi) Bernhardt, Starr Michelle (Garrett) Bernhardt, Dakota Rose (Fizzy) Hughey, Kanion Chayton Hughey; five great-grandchildren, Roy Hinman IV, Ravyn Hinman, Ronan Hughey, Lilith Rosetta Bernhardt, Caoimhe Ire Dahlia Hinman; and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; brother, Wayne (Sally) Bernhardt; and three nephews, Leonard Bernhardt, Tommy Bernhardt and Dewayne Cox.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 and from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Thursday, March 20, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will be at 12:00 pm Thursday, March 20, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Paul Short officiating.

Burial will be at Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, with full military honors.

Memorial contributions may be given to Saint Francis Hospice or American Legion Post 63.

The family would like to thank Saint Francis Hospice for everything they've

done.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

17357 Stars & Stripes Way
Bloomfield, MO 63825

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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MAR 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 20. 12:00 PM (CT)

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