



Eldon Wayne Mahan

January 14, 1931 - September 26, 2020

Eldon Wayne Mahan of Cape Girardeau, Missouri passed away Saturday, September 26, 2020.

Eldon was born January 14, 1931 in Altamont, Kansas to Oren and Ruth Mahan.

He joined the Airforce December 15, 1950 and worked as a Radar Operator. He was very patriotic and made sure to educate his children on proper care of the flag and had great love for his Country and was so proud to have served. One of his favorite trips of his lifetime, was when he had the privilege of going on the Missouri Honor Tour to Washington D.C in September 2018.

Eldon worked in weed and pest control for many years and started his own company "Mahan Weed and Pest Control Inc." in 1971 that he owned and operated for almost 45 years.

He volunteered for the Jackson Senior Center and delivered Meals-on-Wheels for several years and loved to visit and bring a smile to the faces of the people he delivered to. He also volunteered at Southeast Hospital from November 2012 and put in over 2100 hours until he was no longer able to go due to Covid.

Living in the country and being a farmer was his passion. He loved having cows and horses and all things related to farming. He shared his loved for animals with most of his children, and made sure his children always had dogs, cats, cows, sheep, horses, and several other species of animals even if it meant added work for him to take care of them.

He was a jolly man, who loved a good laugh even if it was at his own expense. He loved to tease others but had a great sense of humor and was always able to laugh at himself too. He was always down for a bowl of ice cream, especially homemade.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He was survived by his wife of 42 years, Debby Mahan. His children; Bill Mahan, Karen Mahan, Jennifer (Troy) Truitt, Penny (Robert) Jones, and Patti (Jeff) Bullington.

His grandchildren; Julie (Phillip) Thomson, Brandon (Pami) Mahan, Lauren (Jonathan) Rockhill, Luke, Tyler (Julie), Travis, Andrea, and Alex Truitt.

Jillayne, Branden, Alissa, and Ashlynn Jones. Josh and Graycen Bullington.

Great-grandchildren; TJ Thomson, Bauer and Annie Mahan, and Ella Rockhill.

His sister, Norma Andis. And countless other family members and friends.

He was known by many and loved by all. He will be greatly missed.

Private family memorial to be held at a later date.

Memorial Contributions may be given to Wounded Warriors Project https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/default.aspx?tsid=10043&ovr_acv_id=2703

Or Wounded Warrior Project, PO BOX 758516, Topeka, KS 66675.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ He was a good man. He did me many favors.

Jerry N Beck - November 09, 2020 at 09:54 AM

BA

“ We knew Eldon in OKC. He had few words but a big smile and heart. He tied a bow around a calf's neck and presented it to us for Christmas. Then he raised it, butchered it and gave it to us for the freezer. He cared of our lawn and the church lawn. They were a blessing to us at the church and my kids loved the girls. Debbie and girls, we're praying for you and your families during this time. Blessings, Paul and Berniece Andrus

berniece andrus - October 05, 2020 at 11:35 AM

AW

“ I took care of him at the Veterans Home the day he walked in the door! Me and Eldon had many conversations and good laughs. He will always be in my heart. He was a good soul. I was his Georgia Peach!!

AMBER WINGATE - October 02, 2020 at 09:51 PM

RM

This is Richard Rene mahan, daddy was my dad, he was married to Olivette mahan, he had adopted me when I was 2

Richard Rene mahan - April 08, 2025 at 02:02 AM

LM

“ We are keeping you all in our prayers during this difficult time. We hope that we helped give him and you all peace and comfort. It was an honor to care for him.

Love,
The ICU Staff at SoutheastHEALTH.

Lauren McGowan - October 02, 2020 at 09:21 PM

GS

“ I will never forget this man, he was always smiling and joking around, very nice man
If you were having a bad day, he would make you laugh and put you in a good mood. He will
Truely be miss. Ginger Shelton

Ginger Shelton - October 02, 2020 at 07:55 PM

KR

“ I worked with Eldon at the hospital where he volunteered. He was a lovely man and so polite. He always came in with a smile and would work his shift and do whatever needed to be done. He was such a sweet gentleman and I will miss him.

Kimberly Richards - October 02, 2020 at 07:45 PM

PC

“ He will be missed at the VA. He always had a smile for us girls. No matter how bad a day you were having, he would cheer you up with his smile and a sweet comment! 🙏❤️🙏 Keeping his family in prayer. Pat Carter (aka grandma)

Pat Carter - October 02, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ *To all the family I am sorry for your loss.*

Greg Totten - October 02, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ *He was the sweetest patient I ever had*

Susan Nabors - October 02, 2020 at 11:51 AM