



## Frank Linn

July 27, 1930 - June 15, 2022

Dr. Frank J Linn, 91, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at the Lutheran Home in Cape Girardeau.

He was born July 27, 1930 in Tulsa, Oklahoma to George Linn and Ruth Julian Linn.

He married Joanne Tindle on August 3, 1952 in Marshfield, Missouri. She preceded him in death on November 30, 1990. He later married Charlene Jenkins Jones on March 3, 1992 in Cape Girardeau who survives of the home.

In 1952 Frank received his Bachelor of Arts from Drury College (now Drury University). He was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He spent the next two years proudly serving in the United States Army during the Korean War.

Frank then began his teaching career in a small rural school district near Springfield, Missouri in 1955. He spent the next three years as an elementary principal followed by seven years as a high school principal. During those years he also taught a variety of classes.

Upon completion of his studies at the University of Arkansas, Dr. Linn joined the education faculty at Southeast Missouri University. Dr Linn retired from

Southeast as Professor Emeritus in August, 1993.

Upon retirement he and Charlene traveled throughout Europe, Alaska, and Hawaii. He was a volunteer with Meals on Wheels, Saint Francis Medical Center, and with his wife was a volunteer in Mission in Sitka, Alaska. He was a long time, active member of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Charlene, two daughters, Melinda Kaiser of Ozark, Missouri; Lisa Goodwin of Jackson, Missouri, step-daughter, Marylyn (Dan) Pirtle of Champaign, Illinois; sister, Kate Williams of Blue Springs, Missouri; five grandchildren, Sarah (Matt) Watson of Ozark, Missouri, Michael (Sarah) Goodwin of Jackson, Missouri, Edward M (Missy) Kaiser III of Springfield, Missouri, Jennifer Beussink of Jackson, Stacy (fiancé, Aaron Tolbert) Pearson of Cape Girardeau; two step-grandchildren, Kate (John) De Leon and Amy (James) Carey; sixteen great-grandchildren, Katy Anne, Hunter, Sawyer, Whitney, Chance, Brixton, Mylie, Tristan, Ronin, Sophie, August, Brooklyn, Jack, Samuel, Sophia, Emma; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife; and his parents; step-son, Craig Jones; son-in-law, Edward M. Kaiser Jr.; and brother-in-Law, Jack Williams.

Visitation will be 10:00 am to 12:00 noon on Friday, June 24, 2022 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial Service will be follow at noon Friday, June 24, 2022 at the church with the Rev. Ellen Gurnon officiating.

Burial will follow the service at 2:00 PM at the Bloomfield Missouri Veterans' Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Frank J Linn Scholarship fund at

SEMO, Westminster Church, or charity of choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Bloomfield Veteran's Cemetery

17357 Stars & Stripes Way  
Bloomfield, MO 63825

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 24. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
1820 Perryville Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Memorial Service

JUN 24. 12:00 PM (CT)

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1820 Perryville Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Tribute Wall



“ I have just learned of Dr. Linn’s passing. He was such a wonderful man and a highly respected and a very learned professor of whom I was fortunate to be one of his students. Dr. Linn always made time for his students and we knew he truly cared for and about us. He will be remembered by me as among the most revered of my university professors. I’ll never forget his endearing smile. My sincerest condolences to his family. Most Sincerely, Linda “Lynne” Loveless

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**Lynne Loveless** - June 27, 2022 at 01:35 AM



“ Charlene,  
Sorry to hear this. Will be praying for you!  
Vicki Schuette

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**Vicki Schuette** - June 21, 2022 at 07:32 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Linn.



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June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

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“ To Charlene, Melinda, Lisa and the extended family - Memories of Uncle Frank ("Sonny" to all of us in Marshfield) are filled with holiday meals at the Tindle home back in the day. There's a favorite photo of six people taken outside that house on a bright day some 70 years ago of the Tindle girls Jodie, Jean and Mildred, and their husbands Jack, John Bill and Frank; the next generation ready to take on the world. For Frank, it would be to share his intelligence, passion, good humor, and love of education to literally thousands of students and peers. The world has been a richer place with him in it, and he will be missed. With love - John T. and Shari Greer and family

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**John and Shari Greer** - June 20, 2022 at 10:43 AM

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“ Charlene,  
I am so sorry to hear about Frank. You had many wonderful years together. You and your family are in my prayers.  
Carol Steffens

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**Carol Steffens** - June 17, 2022 at 08:07 PM

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Frank Linn was the kindest person I met in the Scully Building at Southeast Missouri State University. His smiles and cheerful comments made days more pleasurable.

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**Phil Finney** - June 28, 2022 at 04:02 PM