



## Freeman D. Hudgins

November 21, 1938 - April 8, 2023

Freeman D. Hudgins, 84, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Saturday, April 8, 2023 at Southeast Missouri Hospital.

He was born November 21, 1938 in Harrisburg, IL to Freeman J Hudgins and Evaline Carrier Hudgins.

He and Betty were married on April 25, 2003 at First United Methodist Church.

During his working years, 35 to be exact, Freeman was an employee of GM Motor Company in Flint, Michigan. He was an avid hunter and outdoorsman. As the stories are told, he was rabbit and raccoon hunting, rifle in hand, as young as six years old. He loved raising and training bird dogs in his later years.

Survivors include three daughters, Cheryl (Gary) Howell, Connie (Mike) Baker, Evelyn (Brian) Schroeder; two step-daughters, Kim (Gerald) Pfeiffer, Lori (Jason) Olson; sister-in-law, Dorothy Statler. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Irene Hudgins; and sister, JoAnn Hyde

Visitation will be 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Friday, April 14, 2023 at Ford and Sons Funeral Home Mt. Auburn in Cape Girardeau

Memorial Service will be at 2:00 pm Friday, April 14, 2023 at the funeral home with Rev. Jimmy Corbin officiating

Memorial contributions may be given to Shriners Children's Hospital

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home Mt. Auburn

## Memorial Service

APR 14. 2:00 PM.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home Mt. Auburn

# Tribute Wall

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“ Freeman was my granduncle? His sister JoAnn is my dad's mother. I don't have much memory of Uncle Freeman but I remember a story my grandma told me about when she was a young woman and went to get ice cream with a girlfriend and Freeman Dale as she called him was with them when they passed by some young men trying to flirt and my grandma tripped and fell sliding under a vehicle parked on the street She said she was gritting thru her teeth "Freeman Dale" but it sounded like fingernail After that he was always Uncle Fingernail to me

Tiffany Alba - September 05, 2025 at 07:21 PM

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“ Dear Betty, was reading the obituary and say where you husband passed. So sorry to hear this. I remember when you lived behind us we lived on Elliott. So much has happened since we were kids and no worries. My prayers are with you and family. Carolyn (White) Campbell

carolyn (white) campbell - April 17, 2023 at 06:31 PM

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“ The Gairhans: Larry, Cathy, Sam, Kelsey purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Freeman D. Hudgins.



The Gairhans: Larry, Cathy, Sam, Kelsey - April 12, 2023 at 08:25 PM