



## Gene W. Phillips

September 28, 1927 - August 11, 2016

Gene W. Phillips, 88, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Thursday, August 11, 2016 at Ratliff Care Center in Cape Girardeau.

He was born September 28, 1927 in Cape Girardeau, MO to Walter and Virginia Heise Phillips .

He and Clara Belle Hitt Phillips were married June 4, 1960 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

He was a member of Hanover Lutheran Church. He served faithfully in the Army National Guard. He was a member of the Egypt Mills Tractor Club and restored many tractors over the years. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who loved to help people. Gene retired from Missouri Utilities/Union Electric after working there over 30 years and after being employed there more than 50 years ago.

Survivors include:

Wife - Clara Belle Phillips, Cape Girardeau, MO

Son - Alan (Julie) Phillips, Jackson, TN

Brother - Harold Phillips, Cape Girardeau, MO

Sister - Viola Bock, Advance, MO

Grandchild - Hunter (Emily) Phillips, Franklin, TN

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Ralph Phillips and sister, Anna Lee Eggiman

Friends may call 12:00 PM to 2:30 PM on Saturday, August 13, 2016 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will be at 2:30 PM Saturday, August 13, 2016 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Donny Ford officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial contributions may be given to Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 77 West Port Plaza, Suite 480, Saint Louis, MO 63146.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1909  
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 13.** 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1313  
[info@fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fordandsonsfuneralhome.com)  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gene W. Phillips.*



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August 12, 2016 at 11:20 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Gene W. Phillips.*



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August 12, 2016 at 06:09 PM



“ *Every time that I got to see Gene and Clara, it was a great time! Gene always greeted me with a smile! We always walked out to see what tractor he had just restored or the next "project" he had in mind. Great family! I will miss seeing him at the Egypt Mills Tractor events. I'm sorry for your loss.*

*Mark Petzoldt*

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**Mark Petzoldt** - August 12, 2016 at 08:43 AM