



## H.O. Ward

March 5, 1943 - January 30, 2025

Harold "H.O." Oran Ward, 81, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Thursday, January 30, 2025 at his residence.

He was born March 5, 1943 in Piedmont, MO to Clarence and Ruby Burch Ward

Harold and Barbara Lutes were married on July 27, 1962 at Tabernacle Baptist Church Piedmont, MO.

Harold was a loving father, grandfather, husband and a friend to all that knew him. He spent his entire professional life in the dairy business. Spending the last 40 years employed by Prairie Farms Dairy in various Sales, Operations and Distribution roles. Harold enjoyed his retirement years spoiling his grandchildren.

Harold is survived by two sons, Kent (Jennifer) Ward and Kevin Ward; five grandchildren, Jordan (Whitney) Ward, Taylor (Aaron) Huber, Kaleb (Megan) Ward, Brayden Ward and Parker Ward. He is also survived by two great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Barbara Ward; brother, Milburn Ward and sister, Jean Cheney.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 am Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at the funeral home with Rev. Dave Parmley officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau following the funeral service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 .

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

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

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park

2315 Highway 61 N  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

TO

“ *H. O. was a true friend. I will remember him always.* ”

Terry Outland - February 06, 2025 at 12:24 PM

MH

“ *HO I will miss you brother, you were a once in a lifetime friend.* ”

Mike Hughes - February 05, 2025 at 10:14 AM

JR

“ *Joyce Rayfield lit a candle in memory of H.O. Ward* ”



joyce Rayfield - February 05, 2025 at 09:55 AM

RL

“ *Ronald L. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of H.O. Ward.* ”

Ronald L. - February 05, 2025 at 07:25 AM

JL

“ *Jeff and Debbie Lutes purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of H.O. Ward.* ”



Jeff and Debbie Lutes - February 04, 2025 at 02:22 PM

MF

“ Mike Hughes and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of H.O. Ward.



Mike Hughes and Family - February 04, 2025 at 10:42 AM



“ America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of H.O. Ward.



February 03, 2025 at 05:15 PM

GL

“ Sure going to miss my (big brother) cousin. Had a lot of great times together.

Gary Lutes - February 03, 2025 at 12:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of H.O. Ward.

February 03, 2025 at 09:25 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of H.O. Ward.



February 03, 2025 at 09:25 AM

JH

“ *John Harvey sent a virtual gift in memory of H.O. Ward*



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**John Harvey** - February 03, 2025 at 09:17 AM

CF

“ *Cheney girls and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of H.O. Ward.*



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**Cheney girls and family** - February 02, 2025 at 10:49 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of H.O. Ward.*



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January 31, 2025 at 09:17 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of H.O. Ward.*

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