



Leroy Shockley

January 22, 1935 - November 26, 2025

LeRoy "Buddy" Shockley, Jr., age 90, of Jackson, MO, originally of Wickliffe, KY, died peacefully at home, Wednesday, November 26, 2025.

Surviving family includes his wife, Paulette (nee Welk), son Tim Shockley, stepsons Kevin Welk and Stephen Welk, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce, son Terry, sisters, Dorothy and Maurine, and parents Bertha and LeRoy, Sr.

He excelled in basketball while at Ballard County High School in Wickliffe, KY. After graduating, he worked for the Tennessee Valley Authority as an iron worker and later helped build the Mackinac Bridge in Michigan.

Friends may call 9:00 am to 11:00 am on Thursday, December 4, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 11:00 am.

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

Online condolences may be made at 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

DEC 4. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

DEC 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leroy Shockley.*



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“ *I was sad to hear of Buddy's passing. He was always so good to my kids and me. He treated us like family.*

He had a heart of gold, was funny, kind, sincere, and always had one of those silly dad jokes to tell us when we came to visit that made him laugh as well as us.

One thing I have and will always remember is those one-of-a-kind, unique gifts he would get the kids. I am grateful for having the honor of knowing and having you in my and my kids' lives.

Rest in Peace, buddy. Paulette and family, I have kept you all in my thoughts since I heard of his passing. May memories bring peace to your hearts and a smile to your lips.

Stacey Boetto - December 01, 2025 at 02:05 PM



“ Our mother, Dorothy Rose Shockley Hardy, loved her baby brother Buddy very much. He was the little brother with two big sisters, and she and Maurine were crazy about him. She was so proud when she, her husband, Fred Hardy, Buddy, and Joyce were able to head north, pulling their trailers, to follow the ironworking jobs. They shared a wonderful life experience up north, working and living next door to each other. The ladies met for coffee in the mornings while the men worked. Mom was able to enjoy Terry and Tim, who were born during those years. Buddy later retired and moved back home to Ballard County, KY. When Joyce passed away early in life, he married Paulette in his golden years. Maurine and Mom were so glad to have Buddy back in the area, and Lisa, Lori, and I were able to see them more often and share the kids with them during our visits. He and Paulette visited our Mom after she moved to Goodlettsville, which was so special for her. Uncle Buddy and I went to a Vanderbilt basketball game during one of his visits, and we snuck off to get a Chicago hot dog with all the fixings, since he said Paulette didn't like him having that sort of thing. We will miss you, Buddy. We are blessed and thankful for the long life you lived and loved, and for the joy you brought to our little family.

Linda Scott - November 29, 2025 at 07:13 PM



*Love to Paulette and Tim,
Linda Hardy Scott and Lori Ann Hardy Ho-Tung*

Linda Scott - November 29, 2025 at 07:14 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Leroy Shockley.



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“ *The Hardy Girls & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leroy Shockley.*

The Hardy Girls & family - November 29, 2025 at 11:58 AM