



Stanley Grimm

September 27, 2012

Stanley Grimm, husband, father, grandfather, lawyer, former circuit court judge, and retired State of Missouri Court of Appeals judge, died September 27, 2012. He and Jane Morgan of Sedalia, Missouri were married between semesters of his first year in law school. His father, Rev. Victor Grimm, officiated at the February 1, 1957 ceremony at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sedalia. She survives. Other survivors include their three sons (all of whom are attorneys) and their spouses, David and Beth of Austin, TX, Mark and Julie of St. Louis, and John and Michelle of Cape Girardeau; seven grandchildren, Alex who is attending Texas A&M University at College Station, Andrew who is attending the University of Georgia in Athens, Morgan, Bridgette, and Reed of St. Louis, and Natalie and Maggie of Cape Girardeau. In addition, a brother, Bob of Los Altos, California, a brother-in-law, Stan Geiger of Portland, Oregon and numerous nieces and nephews survive. His sister, Donna Geiger, and his sister-in-law, Marion Grimm, predeceased him. Stan was born April 28, 1933 in Macon, Missouri where he attended public schools. In 1954, he received his B.S. in Business Administration from Northeast Missouri State Teachers College (now Truman State). He spent the next 21 months in the U.S. Army as an enlisted man, including 16 months in Japan. In 1959, he received his L.L.B. from the University of Missouri School of Law and he and Jane moved to Cape Girardeau where they became members of St. Andrew Lutheran Church. He was active in church, serving as chairman, chief elder, and chairman or member of numerous committees.

Stan was the first president of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Missouri State College Lutheran Campus Center. He was heavily involved in the formation and development of the Lutheran Home for the Aged and was serving on its Board of Directors at the time of his death. He was also active at Southeast Missouri Hospital, serving on the board from 1972 until he accepted honorary status in 1992. While on the board, he chaired numerous committees and was president of the board from 1983 to 1985. Stan served on the board of the then Cape Girardeau County Association for Retarded Children for 8 years, the Presbyterian Home for Children for 6 years, and the Greater Cape Girardeau Development Corporation for more than 40 years. He practiced law from 1959 through 1972 with the law firms of Oliver & Oliver and Rader and Grimm. In 1972, the people of Bollinger and Cape Girardeau Counties elected him circuit judge for the 32nd circuit. He was reelected without opposition in 1978 and 1984. In 1987, then Governor John Ashcroft appointed him to the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District and he served on that court until 1998, when he resigned and became a mediator and arbitrator. For a number of years, St. Louis Magazine has named him as one of the best lawyers in the state in the area of alternative dispute resolution. In 1977, he served as president of the Missouri Council of Juvenile Court Judges and in 1981 he served as president of the State Trial Judges Association. In 1981, the Missouri Supreme Court appointed him as chairman of the Committee on Jury Instructions and Charges-Criminal, which prepared instructions that are used in every jury criminal case in Missouri. In 1993, he received the Missouri Supreme Court Distinguished Service Award, one of two judges to receive the initial award. In 2000, he received The Missouri Bar Foundation's Spurgeon Smithson Award for extraordinary service toward the increase and diffusion of justice in society. Last week, he received the first Lifetime Achievement Award from Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri. Visitation will be Sunday, September 30, 2012 from 4-8 p.m. at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. A memorial service will be Monday, October 1, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Andrew Lutheran Church with Rev. Paul

Short officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials be made to the Lutheran Home for the Aged, 2825 Bloomfield Road, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703, Saxony Lutheran High School, 2004 Saxony Memorial Drive, Jackson, MO 63755, or a charity of your choice. Online condolences may be shared at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

SB

“ Thinking of your entire family during this difficult time. Stephanie Daniel Bunton

Stephanie Daniel Bunton - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ John, Peggy just let me know about your father. Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. Kind Regards Martha Kopper

Martha Kopper - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Judge Grimm was the first of many juvenile judges that I have known throughout my 28 years at the Juvenile Office. He was one of the most patient, kind, understanding, fair, family-oriented, Christian men I have ever known. No matter what kind of day I was having... a fatherly hug, that smile he possessed, and his always present positive attitude were all it took to reassure me that everything was going to be okay. What an example to all of us as to how we should live our lives. I will miss him popping by the Courthouse Annex with his warm, cheery greetings. He was truly a gift to all of us!

Pam Lucy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We are deeply saddened by your loss, and we are keeping your family in our prayers. The Brownings

James, Sally, Ashley and Zoe Browning - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Jane, John and Mark, My sincere condolences...Stan was one of my hero's who was a role model for me.... what a wonderful reward to have such fond memories. Peter and Connie

Peter Bergerson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ To Jane and the boys, I send my deepest sympathy. Stan was a wonderful person and friend. My son, Mark, called and said to please send his condolences also to all of you. My prayers are with you all! Love, Janie (and Mark)

Jane Cooper Stacy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ I haven't known Mr. Grimm long. I met him at cardiac rehab at Southeast Hospital. But such a nice man & very proud of his family. I know he will be greatly missed.

Wilma Pickett - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Stan was a rare and very special man that I was proud to know. Stan, Jane and their sons always knew how to make you welcome. Our condolences to the family. Stan will be missed and remembered.

Don Strohmeyer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Jane, we were deeply saddened to hear of Stan's passing. He was always a good friend that we could come to for advice of all kinds. Our condolences to you and your entire family.

Chuck and Janet Smith and Family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NE

“*mrs. grimm and john and family i share in your sorrow for the loss of a great person and fine man. both Stanley and John were a great help and good friends to me when i needed it the most. may god bless your family and help you through this tough time,nee*

nelson e eaker - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“*I am truly saddened to hear of the passing of Stan Grimm. I was privileged to know him through my sister and brother-in-law, Beth and David Grimm, for the past 25 years. His presence in this world will be greatly missed, as he was very well loved and admired. My condolences go out to his family and friends. God Bless. Don Sanders Harker Heights, Texas Saturday, 29 September 2012*

Don Sanders - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KK

“*I did not have the privilege of knowing Judge Grimm but I did know John, his son. What a wonderful legacy Judge Grimm left in his children and community. I know this time is very difficult for all of you. May God continue to comfort you. Karen Kight and family*

Karen Kight - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“*Grimm family, I am so very sorry for your loss. I feel so privileged to have known and worked with Judge Grimm. He was a true Christian and a wonderful role model. My very favorite thing about him was the wonderful hugs he always gave when we saw each other. He had a very unique way of making you feel special and you went away wanting to pass it on. He will forever hold a special place in my heart as I am sure he will in many others. May your wonderful memories bring comfort to you during this difficult time.*

Kristie Milam - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of your loss. Just this past year, I had the honor of sharing Thanksgiving dinner with Stan and Jane at the Grimm’s in Austin. I very much enjoyed Stan’s charm and wit; what a delightful gentleman. God bless you all during this difficult time.

Shelly D. Repp - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ My family and I are so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed reading about all of your dad's accomplishments -- he was a wonderful husband and father, as well as well admired by all in his professional life and the community.

Fern Westhead - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Stan was a wonderful friend and our hearts are broken. We send our love and prayers to Jane and the rest of the family. God Bless You!

Steven & Wanda Hatfield - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ It was my privilege to appear before Judge Grimm and to utilize his services as a mediator. It has also been my pleasure to know John as a law clerk and as a lawyer. Judge Grimm has been well respected here in St. Louis He was a wonderful Judge, lawyer and person. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife, with John and the rest of his family. He will be greatly missed.

Peter B. Hoffman - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ My brother and I are saddened to hear of Stan's passing. We grew up in Macon and attended Zion Lutheran Church where Rev Grimm served as pastor. He was a wonderful man with a wonderful family. Stan surely was a wonderful person as well and so outstanding. It must be a very difficult time for all of you. Extending our condolences! Mary Margaret (Leist) Nash Independence, MO
Robert Leist Belton, MO

Mary Margaret Leist Nash - July 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. I did not know Mr. Grimm personally, but I do know the pain of losing someone you love. May your family find comfort as I have in knowing that our loving heavenly Father promises us that very soon he will 'swallow up death forever, and certainly wipe the tears from all faces.' (Isaiah 25:8) What a wonderful day that will be!

K. Jackson - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I was privileged to know Stan and admired him both as a person and an outstanding attorney. He treated everyone fairly and will be remembered as one of the great Judges in the Missouri Justice system. With our sympathy, Jim and Kathy Foley

Judge and Mrs. James Foley - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

IH

“ Judge Grimm was a wonderful person, so full of life. He was a wonderful friend and mentor to our mother. He will be greatly missed. Our hearts and prayers go out to the entire Grimm family.

Ian, Brette and Paige Harrison - February 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Our family is very saddened to hear of the passing of your Husband/Dad/Grandfather. I remember Mr Grimm as being so polite and kind to me as a young friend of John, Mark, and David's growing up in Cape. We were young and rambunctious, but Mr Grimm (and Mrs Grimm) were patient and understanding, letting us have our fun on a Saturday morning running around the house like it was a race track. God bless him and the family. We send our sincere and deepest sympathies.

John and Carrie DeBrock - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ So sorry for the loss of Stan...he was a wonderful man. I will cherish my memories of him. I'm sending my prayers & love to you, his family. May God bless!

Melanie Coy - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I had the privilege to know Judge Grimm my entire life, he did my adoption, one of many I'm sure, but this man sat in front of me in church with his family many services... he was a very strong man of faith - one thing I will NEVER forget... and one thing I was brought into... a great family as well. It is an HONOR to have known him and his family. God Bless him and the entire Grimm Family as they get through this tough time. ?

Mindy Kelpo-Eubanks - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Every time we see a bubble light we smile as we think of Judge Grimm and the many ones we left on his door step, knowing they would be treasured. He was such a precious man with a wonderful family. He will be greatly missed by many.

Joan & Wayne McPherson - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Condolences to the Grimm family. Stan was a first citizen of Cape and the State of Missouri. He was outstanding in everything he was involved with--his marriage, his family, his church, his community, the legal profession, and the courts. He was a friend and inspiration to me. May he rest in peace. Jim Wyrsh

Jim Wyrsh - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Our deepest condolences to the Grimm family. Stan meant so much to me and my mother(Margaret Hope Shrum). We were always grateful for the friendship he'd always shown. He will most definitely be missed.

Daniel & Linda Shrum Strohmeyer - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I was deeply saddened to learn of Judge Grimm's passing. I knew him from work at the Office of State Courts Administrator. He was a wonderful leader, a very compassionate person, he had a great sense of humor and he made others feel important. God bless his family and all who knew and loved him. He was a treasure and will be greatly missed.

Linda Hope - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM