



## Ralph Jerry Peterson

October 19, 1935 - April 4, 2015

Ralph Jerry Peterson, son of the late Gus Edwin and Bertha (Payne) Peterson, was born October 19, 1935 on the family farm near Swedeborg, Missouri. Ralph grew up in the Turkey Ridge area of Pulaski County and lived in the Waynesville area most of his life.

On January 6, 1956, Ralph was united in marriage to Bessie “Allene” Noe in Richland, Missouri. They shared over 59 years of marriage together and were blessed with three children: Belinda, Paula and Tommy.

Ralph was employed with the Missouri Department of Transportation and retired after 30+ years. He loved serving his community and was presiding commissioner for Pulaski County for a time.

In his spare time, Ralph enjoyed being outdoors. You could find him fishing, hunting, or riding his 4-wheeler. He was very talented when it came to restoring old tractors. He loved to see them become new machines again. Ralph was a practical jokester and loved getting his family and friends. Most importantly, he treasured spending time with his family, especially the grandchildren.

Ralph made a profession of faith early in his life and was a member of the Waynesville United Methodist Church. He was a people person and enjoyed

visiting everyone at church and all the local restaurants when he was still able to get out.

Ralph went home to be with his Lord Saturday, April 4, 2015 in the Life Care Center of Waynesville having attained the age of 79 years.

Ralph leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Allene of the home; three children: Belinda Carmack, Paula Dye (Harvey Lynn), and Tommy Peterson (Carrie) all of Waynesville, MO; four grandchildren: Sarah Dye of Waynesville, MO, Stephen Dye of Springfield, MO and Isaac and Anna Peterson, both of Waynesville, MO; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Ralph was preceded in death by one brother: Carl Peterson; two sisters: Anna Marie Beckman and Ruth Zeigenbein; and one grandson: James Aaron Carmack.

Services were held at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2015 in the Waynesville United Methodist Church with Pastor Bill O'Neal officiating. Pianist Cheryl Wood accompanied the congregation as they sang several congregational songs. Soloist Bill Anderson sang "How Great Thou Art", Soloist Becky Lercher sang "Amazing Grace" and the song "Go Rest High on that Mountain" by Vince Gill was played. Serving as escorts were Ronnie Dye, Calvin York, Dennis Doss, Dan Patton, Roy Doyle and Richard Breeden. Serving as honorary escorts were Homer Wilkes, Roy Nichols, Chuck Thompson, Don Bouleware, George Allen and Doug Basham.

Burial followed in the Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery of Waynesville. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert & Richland.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Ralph Peterson and may

be left at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery

Highway 17 South  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

## Service

APR 10. 5:30 PM (CT)

Waynesville United Methodist Church  
200 Lovely Lane  
Waynesville, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Jerry Peterson* ”



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - April 13, 2015 at 10:25 AM



“ *Ralph Jerry Peterson* ”

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January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM

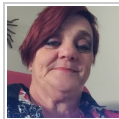


“ *Sarah Southwick Campo lit a candle in memory of Ralph Jerry Peterson* ”



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**Sarah Southwick Campo** - April 10, 2015 at 10:53 AM



*My thoughts and prayers are with you all*

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**Sarah Southwick Campo** - April 10, 2015 at 10:53 AM

KB

“ We regret we will be unable to attend the services for Ralph, our cousin but due to age, infirmities, and geography involved it just is not possible. There are many fond memories of our visits to the Peterson home as we grew up. Our mother, Cora Payne Harris was his mother's sister. We are sending a memorial contribution and you will remain in our prayers. God bless you all....  
Glee Harris Ross and Karen Harris Howard of Kingdom City MO,  
and Coellette Jorgensen of Park Rapids MN.

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**Karen Howard Barrow** - April 08, 2015 at 08:52 PM

DB

“ Darlene Battle lit a candle in memory of Ralph Jerry Peterson



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**Darlene Battle** - April 07, 2015 at 04:02 PM

DB

*My prayers for encouragement and strength during this time of loss go out to the family. May you be blessed with good memories of his life with you.*

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**Darlene and Robert Battle** - April 07, 2015 at 04:03 PM

CD

“ Cornelia & Robert Dodds lit a candle in memory of Ralph Jerry Peterson



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**Cornelia & Robert Dodds** - April 07, 2015 at 09:19 AM



“ *Tommy and Family,  
So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers your way.*

**BonnieandOric Arnold** - April 07, 2015 at 09:01 AM



“ *BonnieandOric Arnold lit a candle in memory  
of Ralph Jerry Peterson*



**BonnieandOric Arnold** - April 07, 2015 at 08:59 AM



“ *Doug Basham lit a candle in memory of Ralph  
Jerry Peterson*



**Doug Basham** - April 07, 2015 at 08:45 AM



“ *In memory of a devoted and loving husband,  
father and grandfather that will be greatly  
missed but leaves behind many wonderful  
memories by all that knew him.*



**Janis Thompson** - April 07, 2015 at 08:08 AM

MS

“ *MARLIN STEVENS lit a candle in memory of  
Ralph Jerry Peterson*



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**MARLIN STEVENS** - April 07, 2015 at 06:57 AM

DS

“ *Belinda,*

*Very sorry to hear of your father's passing. Our thoughts and  
prayers are with you and your family.*

*Deb Savoie and Brett and Cody Basford*

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**Deb Savoie** - April 07, 2015 at 06:33 AM

BA

“ *To the family of Ralph Peterson we are sorry for your loss. You are  
in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Bill & Sue Anderson** - April 06, 2015 at 06:38 PM