



## Herbert Ray Mallard

August 7, 1928 - December 8, 2020

Herbert Ray Mallard, son of the late Earl and Chloe (Ray) Mallard was born on August 7, 1928 in Elkland, MO and departed this life on December 8, 2020 in Buffalo, MO, at the age of 92 years and four months.

Herbert was raised and attended school at Elkland, MO. In 1945 he joined the US Marines and served proudly in the Marine Air Corp in Hawaii. After his discharge from El Toro Naval Air Station, he was reunited with his high school sweetheart, Claudia Williams. They were united in marriage on March 19, 1949 in Upland, California and to this union two children were born. The family moved back to Missouri in September of 1966 where he began his dream of farming. The family operated a dairy and beef cattle farm near Charity until retiring in 2010. Herbert was a lifelong member of the Southern Baptists and was a devoted man of Christ. He was an ordained deacon at Mt. Pleasant Southern Baptist Church and spent his life serving the Christian community. Herbert was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Quinton Mallard and Robert Mallard; and one sister, Effie Lou Mathews. He is survived by his wife Claudia of Buffalo, MO; his daughter, Cheryl & husband Doug Gardner of Buffalo, MO; his son, Steve Mallard & wife Kim of Fair Grove, MO; one brother, Ray Mallard Triplett of Lynnwood, WA; and one sister, Peggy Litke of Wichita, KS. He also leaves many nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members, and many friends who will all truly miss him.

Visitation will be this Saturday, December 12, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home in Buffalo. Graveside services will

be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 13, 2020 in the Thorpe Cemetery with Pastor Cliff Long officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Thorpe Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **12.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home - Buffalo

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## Graveside Service

DEC **13.** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Thorpe Cemetery

Thorpe Road

Elkland, MO 65644

# Tribute Wall



“ *Herbert Ray Mallard*

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Herbert Ray Mallard*

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ *Herbert Ray Mallard*

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *Herbert Ray Mallard*

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ *Herbert Ray Mallard*

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ *Bill and I so enjoyed Herb while at First Baptist in Buffalo. He was such a good man. Enjoyed going out for church visitation with him and worshipping with Herb and Claudia.*

**Mary Ann Cox** - December 12, 2020 at 10:50 PM

RS

“ When I was the secretary at First Baptist Buffalo, Mr. Mallard was also so willing and helpful to me and my husband during Bill's illness. Mr. Mallard was a wonderful Deacon.  
I send my love to Claudia and the Mallard Family

*Ruth Roberts Schneller*

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**Ruth Roberts Schneller** - December 11, 2020 at 02:12 PM

CD

“ Herb was truly a one of a kind man. That laugh and smile was contagious. I was Ministry Assistant at Buffalo First Baptist Church when Herb served as a deacon there, he was always someone I could go to when I needed anything. BFBC was privileged to present Herb with a Deacon Emeritus plaque when he was a resident a Colonial Springs. I send our love to Claudia, Cheryl and Steve as well as their families.

*In His Love  
Connie and Larry Derks*

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**Connie Derks** - December 10, 2020 at 07:16 PM

SH

“ Uncle Herb was a great uncle!! He lived his nieces & nephews!! He would always take us swimming at the creek, even if he was tired after a long hard said work. I remember him always telling us a story about a little old man & a little old lady!! Lol I have so many memories of him!! I'm going to miss him lots!!! Prayers for Aunt Claudia, Steve & Cheryl!!! Love you all!!!

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**Sharon** - December 09, 2020 at 11:57 PM

DB

“ *Herb was a wonderful man. Dewey and I thought the world of Herb. He always had a smile and we know he loved our Lord. Our best to Claudie and the family at this sad time.*  
*Dewey & Janice Bramwell*

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**Dewey Bramwell** - December 09, 2020 at 02:49 PM

SA

“ *Fantastic picture! That's Herb ... always smiling; always ready to lend a helping hand. Herb was on the committee that called Russell as DOM here in 2000. Immediately the two of them became close. Herb was a real Friend, you could confide in him, he would pray and encourage. One of the great treasures of our lives here. "Heaven's sounding sweeter all the time!" Blessings on the family. Russell and Susie Adams*

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**Susie Adams** - December 09, 2020 at 10:25 AM

SD

*I met the Mallards through Steve in high school. When I worked at the Springfield Stock Yards while attending college (early 70's), he was a customer and was always so pleasant and kind, and his love of his Lord was apparent. My Condolences to his family and friends. Susan Wright Denton*

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**Susan Wright Denton** - December 11, 2020 at 10:56 PM