



## Rex J. Shewmaker

February 10, 1932 - February 14, 2013

Rex was born February 10, 1932 in Buffalo, Missouri to James Blaine and Dorothy Inez “Gobbies” Sadler Shewmaker. He had one sister, Myra Jane Shewmaker (Hale).

He was raised in Buffalo but spent a lot of time on his grandparents, Issac Newton and Viola Flo Beck Shewmaker’s farm south of Buffalo where he learned life’s lessons that later benefited him.

He accepted Jesus as his Savior at a Revival at the Free Will Baptist Church and was baptized in Greasy Creek.

He attended school at Buffalo where he was involved in many school activities including various sports. He was a member of the 1949 State Basketball Championship team. He played American Legion baseball and later Semi Pro. He was a member of the 1950 graduating class. He attended Southwest Missouri State where he was a member of Sigma Pi Fraternity,

In 1952 Rex married Joyce Joan Bradley and from that union was born five children, Thomas (Barbara), Joey (Jeni), Sharon (KellyWilliamson), Terry , and Connie (John Frizzle). He farmed for two years. In 1955, he and his dad founded Shewmaker Auto Parts. When his dad died, Rex and his sons became partners in the business.

Rex continued his interest in sports by coaching and sponsoring American Legion Baseball and his girls’ softball teams. His five children were active in sports in high school and he was always an ardent supporter.

He joined the Christian Church and was a loyal member until his death.

He was a founding member and served on the board of Buffalo Bank now US Bank.

Rex's interest in golf prompted him to invest in Silo Ridge Golf Course and Country Club in Polk County where he enjoyed playing many games and tournaments with his kids and grandkids.

Rex and Joan have 12 grandchildren, Brian (Vanessa), Amy, and Cortney; Jason, Jana and Jordan; Matt Keith and Taira Keith Jackson (Josh), and Chelsey Williamson; Dusty and Kayla Shewmaker; and Haley Frizzle.

Rex was a mentor to many employees of Shewmaker Auto Parts over the course of 58 years in business.

Rex and Joan were blessed with three great grandchildren, Thad, Izabella, and Olivia Jackson, who provided many hours of enjoyment.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Blaine Shewmaker and mother, Dorothy Inez Sadler Shewmaker, and his brother-in-law, Robert "Bob" Hale,

Visitation services for Rex Shewmaker is at the Christian Church in Buffalo, Missouri on Saturday, February 16th from 6-8pm. His funeral will be at the Christian Church on Sunday, February, 17, 2013 at 2pm. Internment is at Garden of Memories Cemetery, Buffalo, Missouri. Under the direction of the Montgomery-Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo.

He will be missed by a host of family and friends.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Mercy Hospital for their compassionate and professional care. Thank you to Dr. Meldi, Dr. Merritt, Sharon Morgan, and Dr. Wiggins.

# Tribute Wall



“ Rex J. Shewmaker

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ Rex J. Shewmaker

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ Rex J. Shewmaker

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ Rex J. Shewmaker

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ Rex J. Shewmaker

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ We are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers and with you and the family during this time.

**Russell and Lucinda Crouch** - February 20, 2013 at 03:40 PM



“ Thinking of your family. Sorry for your loss.

**REX HOLMAN** - February 17, 2013 at 09:18 PM

MG

“ Tom and Barb,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sorry we  
couldn't be there.  
Rex was a very special person in my life and he will be missed.  
Miss you  
Marty and Susie Garrison

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**Marty and Susie Garrison** - February 17, 2013 at 10:08 AM

DF

“ Our sincere condolences. Rex was not only a good friend but a great  
mentor. He will be missed.

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**Dale Cahow Family** - February 16, 2013 at 09:44 PM

BV

“ So sorry for your loss. I know Rex will be misses.

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**Bonnie Venable** - February 16, 2013 at 04:56 PM

GS

“ Rex J. Shewmaker

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**Gary & Wilma Slack** - February 16, 2013 at 03:47 PM

MW

“ I appreciated Rex's friendship and support. I have fond memories  
dating back to 1950's baseball in Buffalo.

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**Morris Westfall** - February 15, 2013 at 09:41 PM