



Arthur William Hays

January 1, 1942 - May 20, 2025

Arthur William (Bill) Hays, 83, of Bowling Green, passed away Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at his home.

Funeral services for Bill will be held Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes in Bowling Green with Neil Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Keith Cemetery in New Hartford. Visitation will be Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Bill was born January 1, 1942, in New Hartford, Missouri to Ollie C. and Alma Lee (Baughman) Hays. Bill lived his entire life on the family farm in New Hartford until 2016 when he moved into House #4 at Ruth Jensen Village in Bowling Green.

Bill enjoyed living in the group home where he was spoiled by the staff. He also enjoyed playing tricks on the staff and other house members. You could always tell when he was up to something, because his blue eyes would start to twinkle. Bill also liked to take walks on the family farm. He liked to collect junk and work puzzles to pass the time. Bill enjoyed mints and tea. Bill loved being part of his extended family and spending time with his many cousins.

Bill is survived by nieces and nephews: Beverly Casey (William) of Ashland, Missouri, Gary Gastler (Jacklyn) of Moscow Mills, Missouri, Kent Gastler

(Pam) of Montgomery City, Missouri, Melanie Gastler of Columbia, Missouri, Tiffany Peery (Johnny) of Mexico, Missouri, Susan Bolton of Bowling Green, Cynthia Tolbert of New Hartford, and Marsha Burt (Keith) of Eolia; as well as a large extended family and his special friends at Ruth Jensen Village.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Arlin Hays and Tom Hays; and sisters, Ida Gastler and Loretta Lanvermeier.

Pallbearers will be Keith Burt, Gary Gastler, William Casey, Melanie Gastler, Brian Peak, and Jeremiah Peak.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ruth Jensen Village or Pike County Home Health and Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Keith Cemetery

New Hartford, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green
606 West Main Street
Bowling Green, MO 63334
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Funeral Service

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Burial

MAY 27 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CW

“ *Marsha & family so very sorry for your loss!
My thoughts and prayers are with you all!* ”



Chrystal Walker - May 25, 2025 at 07:59 PM

GV

“ *Gary V. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for
the family of Arthur William Hays.* ”



Gary V. - May 22, 2025 at 07:26 PM

GV

“ *Gary V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur William Hays.* ”

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CP

“ *Curtis peak planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur William Hays.* ”

Curtis peak - May 22, 2025 at 05:33 PM

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“ *Curtis peak purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi
phyllum for the family of Arthur William Hays.*



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