



## Dr. Jack R. Griffen

July 15, 2012

Funeral Friday July 20, 2012 11:00 am Mudd-Veach Funeral Home (Bowling Green) Visitation Thursday July 19, 2012 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Mudd-Veach Funeral Home (Bowling Green) Dr. Jack R. Griffen, age 83 of Bowling Green, passed away Sunday July 15, 2012, at the Pike County Memorial Hospital in Louisiana. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am, Friday, July 20, 2012 at the Mudd-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green with Rev Don Amelung officiating. Burial will be in the Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Bowling Green. Visitation will be held Thursday from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Mudd-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green. Dr. Griffen was born July 25, 1928 in Hannibal, the son of Walter Merritt and Mildred Louise Petrie Griffen. On August 7, 1955 in Hannibal he married Margaret Ann Howell Griffen. She survives. Other survivors include two sons Jerry R. (Jacklyn) Griffen of Ashland and Larry A. (Virginia) Griffen of Jefferson City; one daughter Judith Ann (Richard) Gibson of Hannibal; two sisters Phyllis Jean Vincent and Roberta Watson Dismukes both of Hannibal; six grandchildren, two great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Theodore Griffen. Dr. Griffen was a member of the Second Baptist Church in Bowling Green. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He attended Illinois College at Jacksonville, graduated from the University of Missouri in Columbia in 1950 with a B.S. in Agriculture, graduated from the University of Missouri Columbia again in 1954 with a B.A. in Biology, graduated from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville in 1958 with a Doctor of Osteopathy. In August 1959, he established a family medical practice in Bowling Green and was the physician and surgeon. He kept this practice for 36 years and remained in Bowling Green the remainder of his life. He was a member of the Rotary Club, Bonsai Society of St. Louis, lifetime member of the VFW Post #5553, lifetime member of the Missouri Osteopathic Association and American Osteopathic Association. He loved fishing, hunting, caring for bonsai plants and roses, was very active with Boy Scouts and loved being with his family. Serving as pallbearers will be Larry Griffen, Jerry Griffen, Erik Griffen, Richard Gibson, Ed McGeorge, Harry Benn, Melvin Dempsey and Charlie Foutes. Memorials may be made to the Second Baptist Church in Bowling Green.