



Philip Ray Bibb Sr.

June 6, 1928 - December 16, 2019

Philip Ray Bibb, Sr., 91, of Bowling Green, went home to be reunited with his wife and his Lord on Monday, Dec. 16, while living at Lynn's Heritage House in Louisiana.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 21 at the St. Clement Catholic Church with the Fr. Henry Ussher officiating. Burial will follow in the St. Clement Cemetery.

Visitations will be from 3-7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20 at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Philip was born June 6, 1928 to Ray and Opal Earl (Burks) Bibb. He exchanged vows with Irene Teresa Scherder in Spokane, Wash., on June 23, 1951. She preceded him in death in 2009.

Others left to carry on his legacy include sons, Philip Ray "Buddy" Bibb, Jr. and wife, Peggy, of Bowling Green; Clifford Joseph Bibb and wife, Diane, of Bowling Green; William Burks Bibb and wife, Nancy, of Austin, Texas and Charles Michael Bibb and wife, Rose, of Prairie Village, Kan.; a daughter, Patricia Sue Adams and husband, John, of Columbia, Ill.; along with 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, parents, an infant son, Joseph Bibb; a brother, Earl Benton "Bennie" Bibb and a sister, Dorothy Krein.

Philip was a life-long resident of Bowling Green serving the Lord, his country, his family and his community. He graduated from Bowling Green High School in May of 1946 in what many of us know as the old junior high building. While he was originally a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Bowling Green, the love of his life, Irene, converted him to St. Clement Catholic Church where he spent many years volunteering in the church's community in addition to his weekly adoration hours.

Philip joined the military to serve his country honorably in not one but two branches, United States Army from 1946-1947 and then again in the United State Air Force during the Korean War from 1951-1953. While he served at two different periods in our armed forces, his love for service to his community expanded after his enlistment had come to an end.

Philip sat on various committees and boards throughout his life including the Bowling Green R-I School Board for 12 years, which included serving as board president; St. Clement School Board where he also served as president; St. Clement Parish Council where he served as president; Bowling Green Rotary Club where he held the title of president; Bowling Green Planning and Zoning Committee; Bowling Green Public Works Committee; St. Clement Knights of Columbus; National Association of Realtors; Missouri Association of Realtors and East Central Board of Realtors. He was also a proud member of VFW Post #5553 where he once held the title of Commander and he took great honor marching with his fellow veterans in local parades. His goal was to always ensure his children and grandchildren were left with a better community when his years of service were over. While Philip maybe remembered largely for his time as Postmaster at the Bowling Green Post Office from 1948-1983, he held many, many jobs

afterwards. He sold insurance at Farm Bureau Insurance in 1983 before moving onto Pike County Mutual Insurance in 1984 until his son Buddy took over in 1991. He sold real estate for Suddarth Real Estate from 1991-1995 and then finally retiring after spending some time with J&D Realty.

There was another love in Philip's life, however, and that was Bowling Green Bobcats sports. He loved telling tales of playing basketball in his day. He could always be seen and heard in the stands rooting on his children, grandchildren and eventually even great-grandchildren. When he wasn't in the stands, he was standing along the courses while his grandchildren ran cross country, yelling louder and prouder than anyone else. The grandchildren who didn't live in Bowling Green were not immune from his thunderous support. If there was a place for him to sit and cheer on his grandchildren, he did it louder and prouder than anyone else – whether it be in sports, musicals or even band competitions.

While in school Philip played the trumpet proudly and three of his grandchildren followed in his footsteps. Outside of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Philip enjoyed rooting on the St. Louis Cardinals and passed that love on to all in his family.

Serving as pallbearers are grandchildren Marianne Everhart, Michael Bibb, Alexander Bibb, Shelby Bibb, Jackson Bibb and Johnny Adams. Honorary pallbearers are the rest of the grandchildren Joey McCollum, Jama Mix, Matt Cohea, Samuel Bibb, Clary Luecke, Audrey Bibb, Emily Stephan, Anna Adams and Kate Adams.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking for donations to be made to the St. Clement School or the St. Clement Church.

Cemetery Details

St. Clement Cemetery

St. Clement, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green
606 West Main Street
Bowling Green, MO 63334
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office@bibbveach.com
<https://www.bibbveach.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Clement Catholic Church
21509 Hwy 161
Bowling Green, MO 63334
<http://www.stclementmo.org>

Tribute Wall

EG

“ I remember his great smile and sense of humor. He and Irene were great people to have known.

Elaine Tinsley Griffith - December 21, 2019 at 06:52 PM



“ We want send our condolences to all the family on the loss of Phillip. It was always a joy to visit with Phil and Irene, they had a way of making you feel like they were glad to see you. May God give you all peace and comfort in the days ahead.
Sincerely, Wayne and Pam Korte

Pamela Korte - December 21, 2019 at 04:16 PM

GH

“ Phil was my boss, my mentor, and most importantly my friend. He stood strong for me at the passing of both my mother and father, He entertained my children with baby chicks when they came to the post office. He was an inspirational gentleman who will be missed by everyone fortunate enough to have known him!



Gary Hulen
Retired Postmaster

Gary Hulen - December 20, 2019 at 10:06 PM



“ 73 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - December 20, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Philip Ray Bibb Sr.*



December 19, 2019 at 03:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Philip Ray Bibb Sr.*



December 19, 2019 at 09:48 AM



“ *I want to extend my sympathy to the Bibb family and friends. D. Randall Cone, Louisiana, MO*

D. Randall Cone - December 19, 2019 at 08:34 AM

DO

“ *Mr. Bibb played Santa many times after the St. Clement Christmas programs. One year I overheard one of his grandsons say "Santa wears the same shoes my Grandpa does!"*

Donna - December 18, 2019 at 09:42 PM

DO

“ *Donna lit a candle in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.*



Donna - December 18, 2019 at 09:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



December 18, 2019 at 06:45 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



December 18, 2019 at 05:16 PM



Melissa Mitchell Walker

“ *Melissa Mitchell Walker lit a candle in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.*



Melissa Mitchell Walker - December 18, 2019 at 02:30 PM



“ *The Norwegian Cruise Line Family purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



The Norwegian Cruise Line Family - December 18, 2019 at 01:41 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Uncle Philip's passing. He was such a kind soul. My thoughts are with all of you! Carol Butler Besselsen*

Carol Besselsen - December 18, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ *Love, Steve, Eileen and Bradley Davis purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



Love, Steve, Eileen and Bradley Davis - December 18, 2019 at 01:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



December 18, 2019 at 01:27 PM



“ *We, Bob and I, share a mutual respect and remembrance of this fine man, Philip Ray Bibb Sr. May the family find inner peace and be thankful for this man who stood so tall and kind among men. It was indeed our blessing to have known Philip. Robert Niemeyer and Judy Moss-Niemeyer.*

Judy Moss-Niemeyer - December 18, 2019 at 12:31 PM



“ *What a wonderful man....raised an amazing family. I will miss seeing him. My heart is aching for you all. MaryBeth Babcock*

MaryBeth Babcock - December 18, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ *WANDA HUNTER lit a candle in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.*



WANDA HUNTER - December 18, 2019 at 11:46 AM

FM

“ *My sincerest condolences to the entire family. My prayers are with you during these difficult times.*

*Big Hug
Freddy Muller*

Freddy Muller - December 18, 2019 at 11:35 AM

NW

“ *A true gentleman. Always kind and a joy to talk to. Condolences to the whole family, but especially to my classmate Buddy Bibb. Your dad will be missed.*

Nita Williams

Nita Williams - December 18, 2019 at 11:25 AM

PL

“ *Our sincere condolences to the family . Very fond memories being neighbors and many athletic events together growing up. A true gentleman ,father & friend. May he Rest In Peace. God Bless.*



Paul Luebbbers - December 18, 2019 at 11:14 AM

EG

“ *So sorry for your loss, he was a very nice man.He always spoke and had a smile. He would always ask about my brother when we saw each other. Praying for the family.*

Ernestine Grimmert - December 18, 2019 at 11:09 AM

LS

“ *My dear Trish and family,*

My heart aches for you at this time. I felt I knew your dad, as we spoke of him many times. I am thinking of you and your entire family as you move through this new journey without his presence. Memories is what we have and memories we love.....the laughter, the joy he brought to your lives and the lives of so many that he touched over the years. Please know I will be thinking of you this weekend as you celebrate your dad's life.

*Your friend,
Lulu*

Lulu Stribling - December 18, 2019 at 11:03 AM

GA

“ *I was an exchange student in Bowling Green thanks to the Rotary Club in 1996 and I still remember his smile. Sorry for your loss.
Anne Gaudillière (France)*

Gaudillière - December 18, 2019 at 10:31 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



December 18, 2019 at 10:08 AM

FF

“ *From the Rob and Becky Brothers Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Philip Ray Bibb Sr..*



From the Rob and Becky Brothers Family - December 18, 2019 at 09:14 AM

SO

“ *Phil was such a kind and sweet man. So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the whole family and may he rest in peace.*

Simon and Diane Orf - December 18, 2019 at 08:40 AM

AS

“ *Oh my goodness. Phillip was such a great guy. He always had a smile He was a gracious man. May he rest in peace*

alice schuckenbrock - December 18, 2019 at 08:34 AM

TS

Phil was one of the first people I met when moving to Bowling Green. He sold Boyd and I our first house too! He will always be remembered for his kindness. My condolences.

Theresa Shotton - December 18, 2019 at 09:37 AM

AN

Philip was a kind and nice man. I can remember when I would see him on the street or in the Post office he always had a smile and a hello. He will be missed by many. So sorry for your loss.

Anita Welch Niffen - December 19, 2019 at 02:54 PM

RG

“ *Mr. Bibb would stop and talk to me when I was on my daily walks. I have missed him stopping me in the last couple of years when moved. Mr. Bibb was a very sweet man, he will be missed dearly. Sorry for your loss.* ”



Robert & Robin Graver - December 18, 2019 at 08:03 AM

TD

“ *Tom,jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.* ”



tom,jean dempsey - December 18, 2019 at 07:14 AM

JS

“ *Jackie Stockamp lit a candle in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.* ”



Jackie stockamp - December 18, 2019 at 06:48 AM

CB

“ *Cathy Bibb lit a candle in memory of Philip Ray Bibb Sr.* ”



Cathy Bibb - December 18, 2019 at 05:59 AM

MB

He was a great person always had something good to say he will be missed .

Mark Bair - December 18, 2019 at 08:42 PM