



## Richard Brooks Branstetter

April 8, 1926 - April 19, 2020

Richard Brooks Branstetter, 94, of Bowling Green, passed away Sunday, April 19, 2020 at the Missouri Veteran's Home in Mexico.

Private graveside services for Richard will be held at the New Harmony Cemetery with Bibb-Veach Funeral Home handling the arrangements.

Richard was born April 8, 1926 in Curryville, Missouri to Harve Brooks and Mattie Mae Mitchell Branstetter. He married Erma C. Nelson on March 26, 1947 in Overland, Missouri. She preceded him in death.

Richard was a member of the Christian Church in New Harmony, where he served as a deacon. He owned and operated R.B. Branstetter Well Drilling Company and Sawmill near Bowling Green from 1946-1964. He then went to work as a mechanic for Shaon Motors, and later went to work at Chem Grow. He worked as a driller and maintenance supervisor at Dundee Cement Company from January 3, 1967 to June 30, 1986, when he retired. He was a member of VFW #5553, American Legion #370, Pike County Fair Board, Motor Home Clubs, and Boot Kickers. He enjoyed gardening and boot kicking, along with hill billy golf, holey boards, ring toss, and playing cards, especially pinochle.

He is survived by son Tommy (Kathie) Branstetter of Bowling Green;

daughters, Rebecca Lea (Raymond) Carroll of Bowling Green, Trudy Mae (Bill) Shaw of Bowling Green, and Carrilea (James) Logan of Independence, Missouri; also has 11 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 9 great-great-grandchildren; and 2 sisters, Shirley Louise Tredway of Louisiana, Missouri, and Patsy Ann Grange of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; brothers Bert, Raymond, John, Elmer, Joe, and Kimmie Branstetter; and sisters Mary Frances Mudd, Ruby Mae Nolan, and Hazel and Rosetta in infancy.

Memorials may be made to New Harmony Cemetery or the Missouri Veteran's Home.

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ My deepest condolences to your family. Richard and my grandfather, Kimmie Branstetter were brothers. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. ❤️

Jennifer Branstetter - May 09, 2020 at 03:53 AM

JA

“ Richard Branstetter was a wonderful example of the drive and dedication it takes to be successful. He was a driving force at the Dundee Cement plant in Clarksville where he set a fast paced example for all to see. He stood out as get it done right the first time man of action!  
John O. Allen

John O. Allen - April 27, 2020 at 01:18 PM

TD

“ Tom-jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter



tom-jean dempsey - April 23, 2020 at 01:48 PM

JR

“ Richard was a nice gentleman! We used to see him and his wife at Crystals after Church about every Sunday and enjoyed visiting with them! God bless the family!

Janice Robinson - April 22, 2020 at 08:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Brooks Branstetter.*



April 22, 2020 at 10:45 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Brooks Branstetter.*



April 21, 2020 at 10:41 PM



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**James Logan** - April 20, 2020 at 09:56 PM



*This is how I remember my Uncle Richard growing up in Los Angeles when he would visit his oldest brother John.*

**Ora Lee Thorsen niece** - April 21, 2020 at 01:01 PM



*Trudy and Tommy, Please accept our very sincere sympathy on your loss. And please know we care. Very sincerely, Kurt and Elaine Bruns.*

**Kurt & Elaine Bruns** - April 22, 2020 at 04:02 PM

KO

“ *Kathy Orf lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter*



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**Kathy Orf** - April 20, 2020 at 08:36 PM

LC

“ *Lynda Colbert lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter*



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**Lynda Colbert** - April 20, 2020 at 07:31 PM

DL

“ *Doris Lindsay lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter*



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**Doris Lindsay** - April 20, 2020 at 06:26 PM

JL

“ *Janet Lovell lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter*



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**Janet Lovell** - April 20, 2020 at 05:37 PM

EG

“ Evelyn Graham lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter



evelyn graham - April 20, 2020 at 05:22 PM

BS

“ So sorry Beckie. Rich was a good friend and a fun guy. He and Erma introduced Paul and I to the RV club Eagle Fleet, to which I still belong. My prayers are with you all

Betty Salois - April 20, 2020 at 05:13 PM

PP

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for your families.



Peggy Perkins - April 20, 2020 at 04:45 PM

JS

“ Jackie Stockamp lit a candle in memory of Richard Brooks Branstetter



Jackie Stockamp - April 20, 2020 at 04:40 PM

JS

Prayers to family..

Jackie Stockamp - April 20, 2020 at 04:41 PM

DG

*Tommy, so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Della Green** - April 20, 2020 at 05:03 PM

CW

“ *So very sorry for your loss! My thoughts & prayers are with you all!💖💖*



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**Chrystal Walker** - April 20, 2020 at 04:29 PM