



Robert Peden

February 8, 2015

Robert Irving Peden, age 86, of Bowling Green passed away February 8, 2015 in Columbia surrounded by his family.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 11th, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Bowling Green with Rev. Joe Siefkas officiating. Burial will be in the Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday, February 10th at Bibb - Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green from 4-7 p.m.

Robert was born September 14, 1928 in St. Louis, MO, the son of Alpha Edward and Maude Peden. On April 12, 1953 in New London he married Nina Mae Bent. She survives. Other survivors include their three daughters, Marcia Sue Tepen (Bob) of Bowling Green, Sherry Lynn Cooksey (Jim) of Moberly, Laura Mae Ledbetter (Jeff) of Grove City, OH; eight grandchildren Angie Richardson (Zach) of Moberly, Lani Horstmann (Daniel) of Columbia, Emily Price (James) of Columbia, Garreth & Shaylyn Cooksey of Columbia, Layle Ledbetter of Kansas City, Lydia and Lexi Ledbetter of Grove City, OH; seven great-grandchildren Drake Luebrecht, Grant & Claire Horstmann, Jillian & Cooper Price all of Columbia, and Max & Owen Richardson of Moberly; sister Bernice Harrison of St. Louis. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Edward Peden, and sister Helen Reitz.

Robert grew up in St. Louis and moved to Curryville during high school. He enlisted in the Army and served during the Korean War. After his time in the service, he worked with his father as a mechanic and was employed by Bowling Green Gas Company/United Cities Gas Company for 34 years. He was a member of the Lions Club, VFW and a Master Mason for 50 years. He was very involved in his church and served as a Deacon and Elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green.

Robert loved playing and coaching softball, bowling, hunting, fishing and watching his St. Louis Cardinals. He enjoyed gardening, cooking, traveling, and playing cards with his family...although he was often accused of cheating, or hiding the last puzzle piece. Robert was a devoted husband, father and grandfather, he had a soft-spot in his heart for the four-legged members of the family, and was always the first to make a joke. He was the epitome of a family man, and a friend to all that met him.

Pallbearers will be Keith Wescott, Garreth Cooksey, Drake Luebrecht, Zach Richardson, Daniel Horstmann and James Price. Honorary pallbearers include Eldon Steers, Rhodes Hood, Bob Galloway, Bill Richards, John Hays, Bob Leffeler and Bob Thompson.

Memorials can be made to Bowling Green First Presbyterian Church.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Peden*



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - June 23, 2015 at 02:13 PM

CM

“ *My condolences to the entire family. Best softball coach ever!! (Even though he always called me Lois.) You girls truly had a wonderful dad!*

Carol Henrichsen McMorris - June 23, 2015 at 02:18 PM

HW

“ *Sorry for your loss. I know Robert will be missed.*

Harriett Worrell - June 23, 2015 at 02:17 PM

LA

“ *Our deepest sympathy. Fond memories of your family in both the neighborhood and church.*

Linda and Bill AkersLinda and Bill Akers - June 23, 2015 at 02:17 PM

DS

“ *Emily so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts.*

Diana Schneider - June 23, 2015 at 02:17 PM

GL

“ So sorry for your loss you all are in our prayers.

Greg and Joyce Luebrecht - June 23, 2015 at 02:16 PM

DH

“ Our thoughts are with you all..

don and marilyn hamilton - June 23, 2015 at 02:16 PM

BD

“ Sherry--Thinking of you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Beverly Dodson - June 23, 2015 at 02:16 PM

DC

“ I want to extend my sympathy to the Peden family. That family has been very active at the Bowling Green Presbyterian Church and he will be missed. I also am acquainted with many members of Nina's family and I know the extended families will miss a good man.

D. Randall Cone - June 23, 2015 at 02:16 PM

KM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Sending out prayers.

Kathy Meyer - June 23, 2015 at 02:15 PM

BD

“ Thinking of you and your family, Sherry. It's so hard to lose your dad.....I know you have many great memories that will help you through this difficult time.

Bonnie DeLaney - June 23, 2015 at 02:15 PM

KB

“ *Praying prayers for peace and comfort.*

Kathy and Frank Berlin - June 23, 2015 at 02:15 PM

RO

“ *Rachel, Alex, and I extent our sympathies to Mina and family. You are in our prayers.*

Rev Andy O'Dowd - June 23, 2015 at 02:15 PM

SC

“ *My sympathy for your loss. What a great man! His impact is immeasurable. So glad you had him for a husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather (how fortunate is that?). Holding your family in my prayers.*

Susan Campos - June 23, 2015 at 02:14 PM

SC

“ *My condolences to the family! Bob was a great man and will be truly missed!*

Sharon Casper - June 23, 2015 at 02:14 PM