



Bud Engleman

June 5, 1923 - March 27, 2018

Bud Engleman, 94, of Bolivar, Mo passed away Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at Parkview Healthcare Facility in Bolivar, MO.

"Bud" was not his given name, but hardly anyone in Bolivar ever knew his real name. He earned by accident the name that stuck. His date of birth was even in dispute, due to a similar mix-up. He had two birth dates to commemorate throughout life, June 5 and June 7.

A native of Dunnegan and 1941 graduate of Fair Play High School, he was a member of the boys basketball team that played in the state basketball championship.

Bud was an Army Air Corp veteran of World War II, participating in more than 70 missions as a radioman in B-25 bombers. He completed a career in education that spanned 31 years, 22 of which were in the Bolivar R-1 school district as principal, acting superintendent, superintendent and finally as financial director, beginning in 1959 and ending in 1981.

After graduation from what was is now Missouri State University in Springfield in 1950, his education career began that same year in Niangua as a teacher. He moved to the Golden City school system to serve as coach and high school principal from 1952-55. He was high school principal at Pacific from

1955-57 and Stockton from 1957-59.

His first year as principal at Bolivar was with the Class of 1960 (1959-1960 school year). His bond with that class included Bolivar's only boys state championship in basketball.

He also served as a Bolivar alderman, beginning with his election by the board in August 1983 to complete an unexpired term.

He was an active member of Bolivar First Baptist Church, along with his wife, Wilma Jane, who preceded him in death in February 2012. They were married Nov. 29, 1943, in Stockton.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda McBride and husband Dean of Pilot Point, Texas, and Pam Hard and husband John of Birmingham, Alabama; and a son, Alan Engleman and wife Ann of Nixa.

Visitation for Bud Engleman will be Monday, April 2, 2018, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Bolivar, Missouri.

Services for Bud Engleman will be Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

Burial will be at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery, in Springfield, Missouri at 1:00 p.m.

Memorials can be made to Care to Learn Program, in Bud Englemans name.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

5201 S. Southwood
Springfield, MO 65804

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
316 N. Main
Bolivar, MO 65613

Funeral Service

APR 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
316 N. Main
Bolivar, MO 65613

Tribute Wall



“ *Bud Engleman*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Bud Engleman*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *I remember Bud from Golden City in the fall of 1954,my senior year., He was a man of few words but when he spoke , you listened & remembered. Rest In Peace.....*
Wayne Gardner

wayne gardner - April 03, 2018 at 07:59 AM



“ *It was always great to see Bud when he came in to the office. We will miss you Bud.*

Block Girls - April 02, 2018 at 06:54 PM



“ *Praying for you all during this time. May God comfort you. Bud was always such a character.*

Lanie Redd - April 02, 2018 at 06:52 PM

MB

“ During my senior year at Bolivar High School in 1967 I was going through a very difficult time. My older brother had died of cancer and my parents were going through a divorce. My whole world was turned upside down. I really don't know how much of this Bud Engleman was aware of but I do remember the day I was standing at the front door of BHS and he walked up behind me and put an arm around me and just held me a few minutes. We did not talk, there was no need for words. Bud Engleman was always kind and respectful; always there to be of help to his students. He greatly influenced my life and I will never forget him.

*Michael Douglas Brewer
COL, USA, Ret.*

Michael Brewer - April 02, 2018 at 06:50 PM

JA

“ I was so very sorry to hear of the passing of Bud. He had been a good friend since my days as a student at Bolivar High School. Upon hearing of his passing, I immediately began recalling several learning experiences that he was a part of that have assisted me throughout my life and career. His influence on literally thousands of students is immeasurable. I will be forever grateful for all he did for me and for the inspiration he provided me from time to time. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerald Andrews

Jerald Andrews - April 02, 2018 at 05:13 PM

BC

“ Truly a loss of one of the "good guys". Mr. Engleman was a wonderful example as a school administrator at Bolivar and a remarkably calm, but fun-loving summer driving instructor for many of us. He was a part of many great memories of our high school years. Our sincere sympathy and loving prayers to his lovely family.
Brenda and Derral Cloyd

Brenda Cloyd - April 02, 2018 at 03:36 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bud Engleman.*



April 02, 2018 at 10:13 AM

SN

“ *I had Mr. Engleman as Principal also as Drivers Ed teacher back in 1957, at Stockton High School, he was such a nice man. He was also at our class reunion a couple years Ago and enjoyed visiting with him, and got some good pictures.*

*May God Bless His Family
Stella (Hunt) Nieder Butler, Mo.*

Stella Nieder - March 31, 2018 at 06:07 PM

EJ

“ Good Friday, March 30th, 2018

We are so thankful that Bud became a good friend of my father's when both he and Bud were going daily to visit their wives at Parkview Health Care Facility. Bud was so faithful to bring fresh flowers to his wife! He was thoughtful and caring for everyone. He drove my father to ER after my mother had a massive stroke, and stayed with him many hours! Bud will be greatly missed by all. However, this Easter Sunday he is in heaven with his wife, my father and mother, as well as so many others who have gone on ahead. We are rejoicing in the promise of eternal life! (John 3:16)

*Most Sincerely,
T.W. & Evie Jones*

Evie Jones - March 30, 2018 at 04:46 PM

CP

“ February 13, 1968 Bud Engleman had the extremely difficult task of telling my brother Joe and me that our father had just passed away there in the high school.

I was a freshman and Joe was a senior, and I remember being called out of my class and told to report to the school office without being given a reason. As you might expect, on the way to the office I was trying to remember what recent marginalized activities I might have been involved in that I would now have to explain my innocence. But no, my brother Joe was already in Mr. Engleman's office as I walked in. I saw their faces then came the difficult words from Mr. Engleman. That moment was frozen in my memory and will be with me forever. I have reflected on that life changing conversation with Mr. Engleman often, and I continue to be amazed of his strength in the moment to deliver that message to two sons of his friend and colleague he just witnessed losing.

Bud Engleman was one of the, “Greatest Generation”, as described in Tom Brokaw's book of the same name. He and others of his generation give us all a model to aspire to. It's no surprise that he positively influenced and touched the lives of so many throughout his career in education. I was just one more.

Charles Pirkle

Charles Pirkle - March 30, 2018 at 12:07 PM



“ Bud was a good educator, a good man. I enjoyed his droll sense of humor. Prayers going up for strength and peace for his family.---

Carol Smith Wright

Carol Smith Wright - March 29, 2018 at 08:20 AM

CR

“ Carol Covert Roush lit a candle in memory of Bud Engleman



Carol Covert Roush - March 28, 2018 at 07:06 PM

CR

Was always a joy to visit with. Especially enjoyed having him tell me about his Honor Flight trip. So glad Alan was able to accompany him.

Carol Covert Roush - March 28, 2018 at 07:12 PM

AH

“ Anna L Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Bud Engleman



Anna L Hopkins - March 28, 2018 at 02:23 PM

AH

*One of the greatest Principals ever in Stockton High School. A true friend in helping this girl, as a Sophomore and Junior through some very rough times. A friend in later life. A joy to sit and visit with at our Class of 60 get together late last fall and a family get together later the same year. He was still so sharp and wanted to visit about world situations and everything around us. Remembering with heartfelt fondness of knowing a great man.
Anna Laura Hembree Hopkins*

Anna L Hopkins - March 28, 2018 at 02:28 PM

CB

“ Know to me as Mr. Engleman was a very kind and caring person. He was my driver's education teacher in the summer that I took the class. He had much patience with me as I would not always catch on the first time. I always enjoyed seeing him in the hallways on occasion as he would have a cheerful greeting.



My deepest sympathy to the family.

Cathy A. Haralson Bleggi

Cathy A. Haralson Bleggi - March 28, 2018 at 11:38 AM

BW

“ I am indebted to Bud Engleman for his advice and support I received as a young school superintendent and throughout my career I would call him. I always benefited from his advice and wisdom. Bud was "folksy" in his delivery but very deep intellectually. I will miss him but I am eternally grateful for his counsel. Rest in peace my friend!

Bob Watkins

Bob Watkins - March 28, 2018 at 09:28 AM