



## Clayton Troyer

July 1, 1932 - August 30, 2015

William Clayton Troyer, 83, of Bolivar passed away Sunday, August 30, 2015 at Citizens Memorial Healthcare Facility in Bolivar. He was one of 2 children born to Harry Clayton and Ruby Alice Flint Troyer in Cliquot, Missouri. Clayton's parents were owners of the General Store in Cliquot and he learned at an early age to meet, visit, and enjoy the company of other people. He was said to be the first baby delivered by Dr. McGraw. He was a graduating member of Bolivar High School Class of 1951. Upon graduation he began driving a milk route for Houk Dairy until he was drafted into the U S Army to serve during the Korean War. After his honorable discharge Clayton returned to Bolivar where he happily made his home being perfectly content to remain in Polk County. He worked as a route salesman in the dairy industry his entire working career first with Houk Dairy, then Foremost Dairy, and later Hiland Dairy. Clayton made a profession of faith at the age of 12 and was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Bolivar where he served as usher and deacon from 1982 to 2008 when he was made Deacon Emeritus. He served the City of Bolivar as 4th ward Alderman for 26 years and 15 years as a volunteer fireman. He was a member of the Bolivar Optimist Club and served a term as club President. He was very proud to be a resident of Bolivar. In 1972 he and Ruth Jorgensen Darby were married and he became father and grandfather instantly, a role which he thoroughly enjoyed. Ruth passed away in 1997 and he continued his relationships with the family. Clayton was known and appreciated for his quirky sense of humor but was never critical or judgmental

of others. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Ruth; sister Hazel Belle Kimpson; and grandson Jeffrey Coleman. Clayton is survived by daughters Barbara Wise and her husband James, Janet Young and her husband Robert all of Pensacola, Florida; grandchildren Becky Newsom and her husband Roy of Kansas City, Missouri, Michael Coleman and his wife Melinda of Gladstone, Missouri, James Neal of Virginia Beach, Virginia; step-grandchildren Christopher Wise, Caroline Schaffer, and Geannine O'Brien; great-grandchildren Jessica and McKenzie Newsom, Danielle Skinner, Marlee Coleman and Nathaniel Cornet; great-great grandchild Johanna Rabb; brother-in-law Bob Kimpson; and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services for Clayton Troyer will be held 10:00 AM Thursday, September 3, 2015 at Murray Funeral Home in Bolivar followed by burial at Greenwood Cemetery with full military honors. Visitation will be held from 5-7 PM Wednesday evening at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Clayton and Ruth Troyer Memorial Scholarship Fund at SBU. Online condolences may be submitted at [www.murrayfuneralhomes.com](http://www.murrayfuneralhomes.com).

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# Tribute Wall



“ Clayton Troyer

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ Clayton Troyer

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers. You will be missed. Johnnie, Shirley, Sandy Branstetter Joel and Alexis Foster*

**Sandy Branstetter** - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Harlie and Nancy Gallatin** - August 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM