



## Estal Stewart

June 8, 1931 - February 13, 2022

Estal Dale Stewart, age 90 of Bolivar MO, passed away on February 13, 2022, peacefully at his home. Estal, the first of four children, was born on June 8, 1931, to Oles and Okla (Hawkins) Stewart at the family farm in Halfway, MO.

Estal grew up in Halfway graduating in the class of 1948. He served in the Army from 1952 to 1954 working as a diesel mechanic on the trains during the Korean War.

In February 1957, Estal met Bonnie Carr at a skating rink in Springfield, MO. They were married three months later on May 15, 1957, and unto this union three sons were born, Dale Leroy, Lendell Ray and Wendell Jay.

In 1963 Estal and Bonnie started a business, Stewart Concrete Products, in Halfway, MO, making septic tanks for Polk and surrounding counties. The business soon grew to provide other supply needs as well. In 1989 Estal and Bonnie sold the business to the late Ron Hendrickson. They then spent many years traveling and pursuing various hobbies.

Estal always had a good work ethic and enjoyed the many jobs he had over the years. He often told stories of hauling milk, during the time that you had to carry a milk can in each hand. Or about the late nights he spent digging

graves with the help of his two sons, Dale and Lendell. He shared that his favorite job was owning and operating Stewart Concrete Products, as he enjoyed making the forms and the complexity of designing them so that everything measured correctly for the finished product. Estal and Bonnie always appreciated the many employees that soon became like family to them during their years at Stewart Concrete Products.

Estal was always quick to remind us that if it weren't for the Lord and His direction, he could not have accomplished the things that he did. He reminded us often in his last several years of how the Lord blessed his family, always giving the glory to God.

Estal is preceded in death by his parents, Oles and Okla Stewart, his sons Wendell Jay and Dale Leroy, his grandson-in-law Justin Cleveland, his sister Imogene Morris and her husband Roma, brother-in-law Charles Brown, and brother-in-law Darrell Ashlock.

Estal leaves behind and will be missed by many including his wife of 64 years, Bonnie, of the home, his son Lendell Stewart and daughter-in-law Cheryl, his granddaughter Karen Cleveland, his grandson Brandon Stewart and wife Laura, as well as five great-grandchildren, Jaren Cleveland, Jaydon Cleveland, Bishop Stewart, Kingston Stewart and Ireland Stewart, he also leaves behind his sisters Nadean Ashlock and Shirley Brown.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest memorial donations be made to Polk County Christian School or to The Gideons International.

Visitation for Estal Stewart will be held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, from 5-7 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 11 AM at

Wellspring Baptist Fellowship in Bolivar, MO.

Burial will be held at Crestview Memorial Gardens in Bolivar, Missouri.

# Cemetery Details

## Crestview Memorial Gardens

1529 Missouri 32  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **16**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

FEB **17**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Wellspring Baptist Fellowship  
2110 South Spring Street  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-2897  
<http://wellspringbaptist.org/>

## Interment

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FEB 17 (CT)

Crestview Memorial Gardens  
1529 Missouri 32  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Tribute Wall



“ *Estal Stewart*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Estal Stewart*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Estal's passing. Fond memories of our times in Korea and our trips to Branson which he organized. Thoughts and prayer with Bonnie and family.  
Sincerely, Arnie Van Deusen  
Claverack, NY*

**Arnold VanDeusen** - March 17, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hearing of Estal's passing. What a prince of a guy. He was always so friendly and kind to me but i think that smile that he always wore was for everyone he came in contact with. Please know that your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Jerald Andrews*

**jerald andrews** - February 17, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Estal Stewart*.



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February 16, 2022 at 09:40 AM