



James Freddy Powell

June 6, 1918 - January 2, 2017

James Fredrick "Freddie" Powell, 98, of Bolivar, MO passed away Monday, January 2nd, 2017 at his home in Bolivar, MO surrounded by his family. Freddie was born June 6, 1918 to Jim and Mamie Macafus Powell at Willow Springs, MO. The family moved to Bolivar when Freddie was about 5 years old and has lived there since.

He spent three years in the Army in the 345th infantry in Europe.

On January 25, 1941 he was united in marriage to Lucille Choate. They were able to celebrate 60 years of marriage before her passing on August 30, 2001. Freddie was saved in a wheat field after he returned home from the military, later joining Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church. One of his great joys was to go down by a lost person and helping to pray for them and to see them saved.

Freddie was preceded in death by his parent, Jim and Mamie, his brother George, and his wife, Lucille.

Freddie is survived by a host of nieces and nephews as well as his loving church family.

Survives for Freddie Powell will be held Friday, January 6th, 2017 at 10:00 AM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO. Visitation will be held Thursday, January 5th, 2017 from 5-7 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO.

Interment will follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

S 172nd Road
Bolivar, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Freddy Powell*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *James Freddy Powell*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Freddy had such a warm generous spirit, with the ability to make you feel comfortable and happy in his presence. We used to visit he and aunt Lucille, Nick and aunt Ruby in Bolivar on vacations. Even our young girls love to visit with Uncle Freddy. He always had an interesting story to tell. I look forward to the time coming when I can sit with him in paradise and remember good times we all had together. It won't be the same going to Bolivar We are grateful for Rosie and John Choate who so lovingly cared for him the past years, God bless them.*

Sybil Choate - January 08, 2017 at 03:42 PM

PW

“ When dad (Fred Choate) passed away Uncle Freddy would come over every weekend to check on me and mom. He ended up being like a second dad to me. The summer I was 16 he made it his mission to save my soul. He took me to church revivals until his mission was accomplished. One of my deeply embedded memories is the day my grandmother (Ida Jump Hensley) and I was baptized at Burns Bridge. I took my two youngest grandkids to see him the week before he passed. I told them how when I was little he would bring all of his nieces and nephews their own bag of candy at Christmas time. I then explained that was the only time I got candy when I was little so I was convinced for years that he must be Santa Claus. I loved visiting Uncle Freddy & Aunt Lucille and Uncle Nick & Aunt Ruby when I was little - they always had fresh-baked pies and would let me bang on the keys of the piano. Uncle Freddy was the kindest and most Godly man I ever knew. We will all miss him but I know he is happy now in heaven. I've repeated some of his words of wisdom over the years - my favorite, "You know time goes faster the older you get." He was right about that. I have to admit every time I see an old Jimmy Stewart movie I think of Uncle Freddy because he reminds me so much of him. He will live on in our memories.

Peggy J Wells - January 08, 2017 at 12:44 PM

LB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We have so many memories of Freddy at Pleasant Hill Church. He was a wonderful man and so thankful for the times we were able to serve the Lord with him.

Linda & Byron Bridges

Linda Seiner Bridges - January 05, 2017 at 04:51 PM

TS

“ We rented Fred's farm house on Hwy 83 when we were first married. He charged us half of what he should have for rent, and never raised the rent in twelve years. He checked on us regularly for anything we needed, and we looked forward to his frequent visits. If the pipes froze, he came right away to thaw them out. He even gave us the December rent check back and said, "Use this for Christmas presents for your little girls." The only request he made was to leave the black snakes in the barn alone, wanting them to keep the mice away. No landlord could have been better to us than Fred Powell, and we have treasured his friendship for many years. We look forward to seeing him in heaven.

Tom & Jean Stark

Tom & Jean Stark - January 05, 2017 at 12:18 PM

CM

“ So sorry for your loss. Bro Freddy was such a good example to all of us. He will be missed by all of the church families. So glad that I will get to see him again in Heaven some time. I sure have had good times worshipping God with him here on earth, just think what awaits us.

Cathy McNatt

Cathy McNatt - January 05, 2017 at 11:27 AM

TS

“ My husband, Troy, was one of those Bro. Fred prayed for and was able to see saved. We are so thankful for the times we were in church together and will miss him dearly. Our churches need more people like him.

Troy and Juanita Smith - January 05, 2017 at 10:31 AM

WF

“ *With love from Chris & Julie Pilkington & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Freddy Powell.*



With love from Chris & Julie Pilkington & Family - January 04, 2017 at 08:05 PM

KW

“ *This is the world's loss and heaven's gain. His work is done and I am glad for him. May God comfort the family as only He can.*



Karen Wilson - January 04, 2017 at 10:06 AM

DJ

“ *bro.freddie will truly be missed. had many memories of servicing the lord with him.*

debbie jackson - January 03, 2017 at 04:49 PM