



Max Roweton

September 13, 1935 - April 7, 2017

Doran Max “Buck” Roweton passed away Friday, April 7, 2017 at Parkview Health Care Facility in Bolivar, Missouri. Max was born at home in Halfway, Missouri on September 13, 1935 to Walter Allen and Osra Ann Legan Roweton. Max was an only child.

As a child, Max lived with his parents in the Halfway area. The family moved to Bolivar when Max was in the 4th grade where he later graduated from high school. Max was active in sports and Future Farmers of America (FFA). He was a four year letterman in football and basketball. Max was the second FFA member from Bolivar High School to receive the American Farmer Degree.

Following high school, Max attended Southwest Baptist College, where he played basketball. After two years, Max transferred to the University of Missouri-Columbia where he was active in the Farmhouse Fraternity and where he obtained a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Agriculture.

It was while at the University of Missouri that Max began a courtship with Rose Douglas that would lead to their marriage on August 16, 1959. Max and Rose shared 57 years together and had five children.

Max was a farmer and a merchant. In 1969, he took over ownership of the Western Auto store in Bolivar from his father and mother, who had operated

the store since 1948. He actively managed the store (now Roweton's Home Center) until the mid-1980's when he turned his attention more to the farms that he so enjoyed. Max was a successful farmer and loved farming.

Max served in the U.S. Army Reserves. He later served on the Bolivar School Board and was a member of the Bolivar Rotary Club, serving as President in 1968-69.

Max was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bolivar where he was baptized on October 30, 1949 by Pastor Knox Lambert.

Max was preceded in death by his parents, his in-laws Elvin and Florence Douglas, one brother-in-law Elvin Sidney Douglas, Jr. and one sister-in-law Synda Douglas. He is survived by his wife Ellen Rose Douglas Roweton, by a brother-in-law, Kerry Douglas and wife Lynda and by his five children, Vicki Morgan and husband Bruce of Branson, Kendal Roweton and fiancé Terri Wilson of Beverly Hills, Florida, Denni McColm and husband Steve of Fair Play, Marla Kemp and husband Wes of Bolivar and Kelly Roweton and wife Sue of Bolivar. Max is also survived by 17 grandchildren, Baker Morgan and wife Jennifer, Zac Morgan, Colby Morgan, Josh Morgan and wife Kellyn, Mykal Whitney and husband Cody, Keli Francka and husband B.L., Luther Roweton, Levin Roweton and his significant other Lindsey Miller, Bethany, Cherith and Mattea Roweton, Tyler Kemp and fiancé Samantha, Landon Kemp, Rylee Hayes and husband Brian, Kait, Becca and Sam Roweton. Max was also blessed with 9 great grandchildren, Trace, Ty, Tripp and Tuff Doran Whitney, Boe, Jax, Kellsey and Dal Francka, and Madelyn Rose Morgan.

Memorial contributions can be made to Parkview Health Care Facility, 1500 N. Oakland, Bolivar, Missouri 65613 in memory of Max to be utilized for scholarships for staff seeking to advance their nursing education or to the charity of your choice.

Visitation for Max Roweton will be held Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 5-7 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 10 AM at the First Baptist Church in Bolivar, MO under the direction of the Butler Funeral Home. Graveside services will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

S. Dunnegan Ave.
Bolivar, MO 65613

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 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

APR 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
316 N. Main
Bolivar, MO 65613

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Roweton*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Max Roweton*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *To Rose & Family- so sorry to read of Max's passing,
My deepest sympathy to each.
I remember when Max started school, we rode the same bus.*

*Leola (Chappell) Smith
Sun Lakes, AZ.*

Leola (Chappell) Smith - April 14, 2017 at 01:12 PM



“ *Rose, I was sad to hear of Max's death. Hope your flu is better.
Praying for you and your family. Debbie Robinson*

Debbie Robinson - April 14, 2017 at 10:21 AM

AM

“ We are so sorry to hear about the passing of Max Roweton. I know he was a wonderful man, father, and husband. Do not lose the memories that you experienced with him. May your hearts and spirit be encouraged today with these words from John's Gospel, "Let not your hearts be troubled." We shall continue to pray for the Morgan and Roweton families.



Allen R. & Doris McFarland

Allen R. & Doris M. McFarland - April 13, 2017 at 08:55 AM

JA

“ I was so very sorry to hear of Max's passing. He was one of those individuals that I have known all of my life. He seemed to always play a role in whatever I was doing and helped shape my being. I always appreciated his advice and counsel and I asked him for plenty of that along the way. Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerald Andrews

Jerald Andrews - April 12, 2017 at 12:35 PM

JW

“ I am sorry to see Max go. I did a lot of business with him over the years. James H. "Jim" Whitman

James H. Whitman - April 12, 2017 at 11:10 AM

DW

“ *Max was a wonderful man. We so enjoyed doing business with him. He will be greatly missed by all. Sending our deepest condolences.*

*The Wheeler Family
Burleigh, Doris, Byron and Steve*

Doris Wheeler - April 12, 2017 at 10:05 AM

LM

“ *So sorry for your loss. With love Larry Moore and Family.*

Larry Moore - April 11, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ *Lindy Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Max Roweton*



Lindy Mitchell - April 11, 2017 at 02:54 PM

SM

“ *I have fond memories of visiting the store with my grandparents, Harley and Esther, each summer. You both were there when we lost them and even put us up at your house. Your generosity, fun-loving nature, and kindness will never be forgotten.*



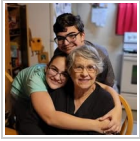
Sandy McKee - April 11, 2017 at 09:29 AM

DB

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Mr. Roweton will be dearly missed. Since we moved to Bolivar when I was 8 I loved going into their store. They were always so nice and helpful. Prayers to the family at this time.



Donna Binns - April 10, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ Johnnie Branstetter



Shirley Hodges Branstetter - April 10, 2017 at 05:15 PM

LK

“ Sad with the extended family of the loss of Max. Thankful for times with Max at the house, in the community and at church, while I lived in Bolivar, and since on some return trip to see friends. I am richer man for the friendship and words of encouragement through the years. Thanks to Mr. Max, thanks for making me better and more respectful in my life.

Lee Kanakis - April 10, 2017 at 03:20 PM

KF

“ Ken A. Stephens & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Max Roweton.



Ken A. Stephens & Family - April 10, 2017 at 02:31 PM

RS

“ So sorry to hear about Max. Great memories of coming into the store for my Mother and Father. You all are the best. God bless your family

Royce Slagle - April 10, 2017 at 09:20 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Max Roweton.



April 09, 2017 at 07:23 PM

HG

“ Rose and family we have you in our thoughts and prayers. Rose we have fond memories of the times we spent with you and Max. Nancy and Harlie



Harlie and Nancy Gallatin - April 09, 2017 at 02:24 PM

MV

“ Keli and BL..both Virginia and I are sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with the two of you and your family.

Mary Ann & Virginia - April 09, 2017 at 11:42 AM

SE

“*Rose, my thoughts and prayers are with your family. Max, was loved by family, friends, and customers. A man who kept going forth and doing good.*

Sharon Whitman Easter

Sharon Easter - April 09, 2017 at 09:18 AM

GM

“*Gail May lit a candle in memory of Max Roweton*



Gail May - April 09, 2017 at 08:19 AM

LM

“*Max (Buck) possessed an inquiring mind. He was inclined to search for the truth, rather than merely accepting statements he heard as fact.*

I can imagine, that Friday morning, with Easter coming, he decided to check out this resurrection thing for himself. I also can imagine his infectious smile when he awakes on the other side.

Rose and family, I'm so sorry to learn of his death.

Larry May

Larry May - April 08, 2017 at 09:58 AM

MG

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I always enjoyed talking with Max and seeing Rose and Max at ball games. Our prayers are with Rose and the family.

Marty Garrison - April 08, 2017 at 08:18 AM

MA

“ MARIA lit a candle in memory of Max Roweton



MARIA - April 08, 2017 at 04:01 AM

BT

“ Rose and family! Thank u for giving Parkview the chance to take care of such a wonderful man! I'm so blessed that I was next to him on his final time when he went walking to the gates of heaven! I will sure miss our special time together max and my wink I got every morning! Rest In Peace max until we meet again! And I want to thank u guys for being so good to me! Love all of u and max my buddy I love u now dance your heart out up there



brandy truelson - April 07, 2017 at 09:29 PM

HS

“ Dear Rose & Family,

I'm saddened for your loss, yet know Max is at peace in Heaven. I remember talking to him @ Parkview just before I moved to Conroe, TX a month ago.

*You're all in my Prayers & Thoughts,
Helen Ann Strack*



Helen Strack - April 07, 2017 at 06:40 PM

JS

Rose, Marla and family-- so sorry to hear of Max's passing. I enjoyed see him and visiting with him and you Marla last summer when I was consulting at Parkview. You are in my thoughts and prayers. You are a special family to the Bolivar community. We have appreciated your friendship with my family for all these years. Jane (Sells) Siebert

Jane (Sells) Siebert - April 09, 2017 at 08:56 PM

DD

I didn't know Max that well, we lived too far away (I am the west coast Douglas cousin). Whenever I did get to see him, he always inspired me with his friendship. Since he married my favorite cousin (sorry Kerry), he had to be okay! Our family lost a fine man.

Donald Douglas

Donald Douglas - April 10, 2017 at 08:57 AM