



## Richard Lee McCarthy

July 9, 1926 - January 21, 2018

Richard Lee McCarthy was born on July 9, 1926, in Polk County, Missouri, to Emma (Krejci) McCarthy and John “Jack” McCarthy. On the morning of January 21, 2018, he passed away peacefully.

Richard grew up on the family farm north of Bolivar, where he graduated from Bolivar High School. On May 25, 1946, Richard was joined in marriage to Mavis Ballinger, and from this union four sons were born. Over the years Richard bought and sold real estate, but his proudest accomplishment was being a lifelong farmer. Throughout his life, Richard was a role model for those who worked beside him, and by his example he instilled a very strong work ethic in his children and grandchildren.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents, eleven brothers and sisters, and his sons, Donnie, Wayne, and Charles.

Richard is survived by his wife Mavis, of the home; one brother, Bob McCarthy, and his wife Sally, of Lompoc, California; one son, Larry McCarthy, of Buffalo, Missouri; one daughter-in-law, Michele McCarthy, of Tahlequah, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Heather McDaniel Becker, and husband, Brett, of Mack’s Creek, Missouri, Amber Abercrombie, and husband, Jeff, of Buffalo, Missouri, Jeremy McCarthy, and wife, Kali, of Halfway, Missouri, Brandon McCarthy, and wife, Leslie, of Buffalo, Missouri, Colt McCarthy, and wife,

Daphne, of Austin, Texas, Nocona Williams, and husband, Tyler, of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, Ace McCarthy, and wife, Jessica, of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and Sean McCarthy, of Liberty, Missouri; and seventeen great-grandchildren. The family would like to extend a special thanks to a special family friend, Melissa Ford, for the love and care she gave Richard over the past few years.

A visitation will be held from 5:00 -7:00 PM, Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at the Butler Funeral Home, in Bolivar.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM, on Wednesday, January 24, 2018, at the Butler Funeral Home, with Lloyd Middleton officiating.

Burial will follow services, and take place at the Ragsdale Cemetery, near Halfway, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Good Samaritan Boy's Ranch, P.O. Box 617, Brighton, MO 65617-0617

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **23.** 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

JAN **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Lee McCarthy*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Richard Lee McCarthy*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Dear McCarthy Family,*

*Although I didn't know Richard well, I have known Larry for years. Richard was a classmate of my Mom, LaurNeil Jessie (Blackburn) Strack. He & Mavis helped Mom in planning their class reunions in the past. Mom cherished their friendship. Mom has been gone 5 years as of 10 January.*

*Your entire family are in my Prayers & Thoughts!*

*Helen Strack*

**Helen Strack** - January 24, 2018 at 02:00 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Richard Lee McCarthy .*

January 23, 2018 at 05:50 PM





“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Lee McCarthy .*



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January 23, 2018 at 01:08 PM



“ *Prayers Larry for you and your Mother. Dean & Ona Cline*

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**Dean & Ona Cline** - January 23, 2018 at 09:06 AM



“ *The stories Richard shared with us will always be fresh in our minds, and we are grateful. Time for you to count the cows, Richard...Godspeed.*

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**Jerry & Liz Bowman** - January 22, 2018 at 02:12 PM



*I am so sorry to hear of Richards passing. My thoughts are with Mavis and Larry and of course the whole family*

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**Robin Wolkey** - January 23, 2018 at 01:06 PM



*So sorry Larry praying for you and your mom. Your dad was a great guy.*

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**yvette nutter** - January 24, 2018 at 09:59 AM



*Condolences to the family in this loss!*

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**bob campbell** - January 24, 2018 at 06:46 PM