



William "Billy" Gene Grider

July 20, 1940 - September 28, 2022

William "Billy" Gene Grider, Lifetime member of Bolivar Missouri. Survived by his wife of 54 years Judy Grider of Bolivar, daughters Melissa Grider of Bolivar, Michelle Smith and Chad Smith of Dublin, Georgia, Melinda Piper, and Dennis Piper of Bolivar. His sons David Grider of Kansas, Mark Grider of Kansas City Missouri. His grandchildren Blake Britain and Megan Campbell of Springfield, Mason Patrick of Branson, Skylar Bussard and Tyler Bussard of Pensacola Florida, Destini Price of Dublin, Georgia, Zach Britain of Bolivar, and Seth Price of Dublin, Georgia. His great grandchild Jett William Bussard and Future Tucker Lee Bussard of Pensacola Florida.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents Martha and Charles Grider, his brother Clarence "Bud" Grider and his wife Lillie Ruzicka Grider, and his brother Paul Grider.

Billy was born in Springfield, Missouri July 20, 1940. He was a graduate of Marion C. Early in 1957. After a chance meeting in Springfield, he met the love of his life Judy and were married in 1968. They welcomed Melissa in 1972, Michelle in 1974 and Melinda in 1977.

Billy had worked in the family store of Slagle Meat Market, Frisco, Associated Grocers, Lily Tulip, Builders Square, he worked for entertainers such as Tony Orlando and Wayne Newton, Johnny Cash and June Carter, The New York City Rockettes, but his all-time favorite job was Silver Dollar City where he retired from in 2015.

Billy lived a colorful life and had a huge character; he never met a stranger.

When Billy wasn't following his daughters and grand children across the States. He would be catching a show in Branson, you could catch him in the middle of the field laying with his cows relaxing. He was a farmer and gardener; he liked to fish. He was an avid Kansas City Chiefs and Saint Louis Cardinals fan. He had been a lifetime member of the Gideon International Ministry. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Kimberling City. Billy passed away peacefully surround by his family on September 28,2022, at Parkview Healthcare facility he was 82 years old. Services for Billy will be held 11:00AM Monday, October 3, 2022 at the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO. Visitation will be held 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sunday, October 2, 2022 at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

OCT 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William "Billy" Gene Grider*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *William "Billy" Gene Grider*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Billy" Gene Grider.*



September 30, 2022 at 03:52 PM