



## Carl Houck Jr.

December 10, 1952 - January 29, 2021

Carl Houck Jr. of Carthage, MO passed away at 8:06 AM on January 29th at Freeman West Hospital in Joplin, MO. Carl was born to Carl Elbert Sr. and Clara Houck on December 10, 1952 in Joplin, MO. He was a longtime Carthage area resident working at Schreiber's for 49 years in the transportation department as the Shuttle Coordinator. He was a former member and current president of the Center Creek Golf Course. He coached youth baseball for over 20 years. He was a member of the Carthage Bowling Associations Hall of Fame, bowling for 37 consecutive years in the National Bowling Tournament. He was also a member of the Joplin Bowling Association, serving as the League Secretary. He was well known for bowling four perfect games of 300!

Carl was married to Linda Conway on April 8, 1982 in Carthage; she survives. He is also survived by one son, Jeff Houck and his wife Angela in Manchester, TN; one daughter, Jill Keplar and her husband George in Neosho, MO.

Carl is also survived by his mother, Clara Houck of Carthage; two sisters, Caroyln Conway and her husband Dale of Sarcoxie, MO and Cathy Patrick and her husband Randy also of Sarcoxie; three grandchildren, Kinsli Houck, Clara Keplar and Wyatt Keplar.

Carl is proceeded in death by his father, Carl Houck Senior.

Visitation will be held from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM February 2nd at Ulmer Funeral Home. Services will be held at 2:00 PM on February 3rd at Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Carthage, MO.

Contributions may be made to the Center Creek Golf Course in Sarcoxie, MO in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made at [www.ulmerfh.com](http://www.ulmerfh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

Carthage, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 2. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home  
1208 S. Garrison  
Carthage, MO 64836  
(417) 358-2222  
ulmerfh@gmail.com  
<https://www.ulmerfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

FEB 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home  
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## Graveside Service

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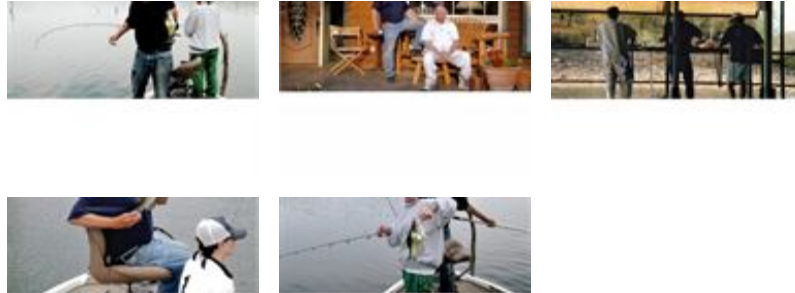
FEB 3 (CT)

Oak Hill Cemetery  
Carthage, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ 125 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Ulmer Funeral Home** - February 18, 2021 at 11:35 AM

PS

“ *I really enjoyed playing softball for him. He really made it fun. Then I got to bowl with Linda and Mary. After that we started all playing golf together. So I really got to know him well and I thought the world of him. I shared the love of Cardinal baseball with him too and we started going to Springfield and St. Louis games. There was never a dull moment. It is really going to be hard not hanging out with him. Linda I am so sorry for your loss he was great person.*

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**Pat Sayles** - February 03, 2021 at 03:34 PM

KD

“ *Karen Dunphy lit a candle in memory of Carl Houck Jr.*



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**Karen Dunphy** - February 03, 2021 at 11:13 AM

KD

“ *Cardinal Nation has lost a great fan! Now JR will be with all the great ones still enjoying a Cards game. But now with heavenly insight!*

*All of you will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Karen Dunphy St. Louis*

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**Karen Dunphy** - February 03, 2021 at 11:12 AM

RB

“ *Linda and family - Carl was such a nice man! Rick and I always enjoyed visiting with him. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Rick and Barb Brightwell** - February 02, 2021 at 11:07 PM

LW

“ *Carl my heart is broken, you were a great man, thank you for believing in me and making me a better man than what I was before. I will never forget you. Prayers for your dear family.*

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**Lee Watson** - February 02, 2021 at 11:34 AM



“ *Red Rose Buds (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Carl Houck Jr..*



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February 02, 2021 at 09:38 AM

JK

“ Carl has been a special friend and neighbor for years. I am going to miss golfing with him, as he was always able to outdo most of us and kept us in stitches. He was a fun person to be with, always smiling or shaking his head. There is a ghost path between our houses that will soon fade, but the memories will live on. Sleep well, Carl.

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**JK** - February 02, 2021 at 09:21 AM

TA

“ Linda and family, We are so sorry for your loss. I worked with Carl for my last 17 yrs at Schreiber. Carl took time to help everyone and made everyone better. Linda, we are going to miss seeing you and Carl, on our annual visit driving through Carthage, in winter. Lucky J's for dinner, and talking sports with Carl will always be one of the great memories I have with Carl. God Bless you and your family. Much Love,  
Tom and Barbie Allen

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**tom allen** - February 02, 2021 at 09:19 AM

MD

“ Linda and family we are so sorry for your loss. Mike worked with Carl for many years at Schrieber's. Our fondest time with you both was competing for the "VAZ" at lots of different golf courses. What a fun time. Carl will be greatly missed.

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**Mike and Betty Danner** - February 01, 2021 at 08:52 PM

JW

“ *He double eagles no. 3 at center creek. He was a friend for 40 years.*

John Witt - February 01, 2021 at 07:26 PM

JW

“ *I guess I've known Carl for about 40 years. He really did double eagle no. 3 at center creek golf course and I got to play the last tournament with him there. He will be missed in so many ways.*

John Witt - February 01, 2021 at 07:10 PM

BS

“ *Brenda Stark Seckman lit a candle in memory of Carl Houck Jr.*



Brenda Stark Seckman - February 01, 2021 at 06:54 PM



“ *Linda and Family - I am so sorry for your loss. I was fortunate to have worked with Carl at Schreiber Foods from 2003 to 2015. I always enjoyed working with Carl and he taught me so much. He was a great man, committed employee, and someone that that high degree of respect from his colleagues & business partners. He will truly be missed. May God bless you and your family during this time of loss.*

*Corey Van Zeeland*

Corey Van Zeeland - February 01, 2021 at 05:22 PM

DB

“ *Linda and Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and  
your family.  
God Bless*

*David and Terri Brisco*



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**DAVID I BRISCO** - February 01, 2021 at 05:15 PM

JW

“ *Linda and Family so sorry for your loss. Our  
thoughts and prayers are with you and your  
family.*



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**Judy, Mike and Jerry Welch** - February 01, 2021 at 02:43 PM

JS

“ *Linda, Jeff and Jill we are so sorry to hear of Carl's passing. I had  
the privilege to know and work with Carl 40 years at Schreiber  
Foods. He was a kind man and a hard worker. He always had a  
good word to share with everyone. He loved his baseball and was  
thought of in his 20 years of coaching. He will be missed, but we all  
know he is not suffering now. I am sure he is at "the heavenly field  
of dreams" watching the baseball greats that went before him. Mary  
Jane and I want you to know you all are in our thoughts and  
prayers.*

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**John and Mary Jane Stevens** - February 01, 2021 at 01:26 PM

DG

“ *Dave & Judy Gumm purchased the Pink Rose Buds (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Carl Houck Jr..*

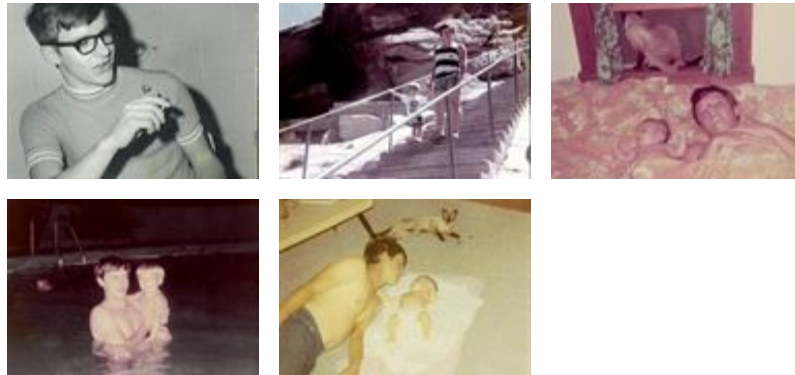


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**Dave & Judy Gumm** - February 01, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *83 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Ulmer Funeral Home** - February 01, 2021 at 12:43 PM

ME

“ *Linda and family,*

*Thinking and praying for strength and peace. May your memories be a blessing to you.*

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**Marilyn Endicott** - February 01, 2021 at 11:14 AM

SI

“ Schreiber Foods Inc. purchased the Red Rose Buds (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Carl Houck Jr..



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**Schreiber Foods Inc.** - February 01, 2021 at 10:17 AM

SI

“ Schreiber Foods Inc. purchased the Garden Bench - "Gone yet not forgotten..." for the family of Carl Houck Jr..



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**Schreiber Foods Inc.** - February 01, 2021 at 10:12 AM

LC

“ Carl was wonderful to work with at Schreiber and I worked with him for over 20 years. I looked forward to seeing him at the Schreiber golf outings and he would always ask about my family. He treated everyone with respect and kindness. He will be missed.

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**Linda Campbell** - February 01, 2021 at 09:59 AM

SO

“ Carl was a special friend at Schreiber. He was a second dad to me and I always enjoyed our customer chats over the phone. Every year on my work anniversary he would send me an email. He never missed a year! You have my deepest sympathy. I will miss him.

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**Sherri Olson** - February 01, 2021 at 09:12 AM

CA

“ *Carole Austin sent a virtual gift in memory of Carl Houck Jr.*



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**Carole Austin** - February 01, 2021 at 08:57 AM

DJ

“ *CARL TRAINED ME AT SCHREIBER FOODS WHEN I FIRST STARTED IN 1992. HE WAS ALWAYS KIND, AND HAD A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR.*



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**David Stapleton jr** - February 01, 2021 at 08:34 AM

SH

“ *Linda Houck and Family, Sorry for your loss. I am sure Carl will be greatly missed.*

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**Sid Hiatt** - January 31, 2021 at 03:28 PM