



Irwin Dale Hodkin

August 23, 1948 - May 29, 2026

Irwin "Dale" Hodkin, 77, of Webb City, Missouri, passed away Friday, May 29, 2026, in Joplin, Missouri. Dale was born August 23, 1948, in Carterville, Missouri to Irwin Leon and Emma Hodkin. After high school, he proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corp. Dale attended Crowder College and Missouri Southern State College and received a bachelor's degree in business. He was a plant manager for H.D. Lee Jean Corporation. Dale was a member of the American Legion. He enjoyed woodworking. Dale made everything from furniture to decks to stilts for kids. You name it, he could make it! Dale was also a member of the First Baptist Church in Webb City.

Dale was united in marriage to Patty Dugger on May 15, 1982, in Hartville, Missouri; she preceded him in death.

Dale is survived by a son, Chad Hodkin (Donnetta Rivera) of Neosho, Missouri; a daughter, Tina Short (Everet Ruark) of Joplin, Missouri; a step-son, Aaron Ward (Sandi) of Lebanon, Missouri; a step-daughter, Marsha Doss (John) of Lebanon, Missouri; seven grandchildren, Nicole Patrick (Kris), Joseph Armstrong (Suzanne), Megan Bateman (Steven), Makenzie Ward, Kammie Simpson (Keith), Dexter Short (Shelby), and Brooklyn Hatfield (Wyatt); 9 great-grandchildren; a sister, Nancy Thompson (Rick) of Choctaw, Oklahoma; his close companion, Beverly Helton; and his beloved dog, Buffy. Dale is preceded in death by his wife, Patty; his parents, Irwin and Emma; brother, Jimmy Hodkin; and a sister, Betty Wilson.

A service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2026, at Ulmer Funeral

Home in Carthage, Missouri. A visitation will be held prior to his service at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2026. Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Carthage, Missouri following his services.

Online condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
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Carthage, MO 64836
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Funeral Service

JUN 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

JUN 4 (CT)

Oak Hill Cemetery
Carthage, MO

Tribute Wall



“ Dale , you were our first friend we made when we moved to Webb City , MO.. We enjoyed getting to know you and wished we had more time to spend with you. You will be missed. Until we meet again.

Randy Tate - May 30 at 04:22 PM