



Lewis "Buster" Brooks

August 16, 1943 - March 13, 2020

Lewis "Buster" S. Brooks, 76, passed away Friday, March 13, 2020 at Mercy Hospital in Joplin. Lewis was born August 16, 1943 in Carthage to C. W. and Agnes "Simpson" Brooks. He was a sheet metal mechanic in the United States Airforce and the Air Force Reserves. Lewis retired as a master sergeant after 26 years in the military. When he moved back to Carthage, he opened Lew's Barber Shop just off the Square. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge #197 in Carthage.

Lewis was united in marriage to Vickie Lois Moody in 1963. They were married for 39 years; she preceded him in death in 2002. He was then united in marriage to Amy Avram on April 29, 2005 in Orange Park, Florida; she survives.

Lewis is also survived one son, Lonnie Brooks (Shelley) of Valley Springs, CA; one daughter, Lisa Kirby (Scott) of San Antonio, TX; two step-sons, Andrew Anderson (Samantha) and Nicholas Anderson (Jullianna); seven grandchildren, Michael Engstrom, Emily Roberts, Amanda Hughes, Brandon Brooks, Brittany Brooks, Blaine Brooks and Chance Brooks; along with nine great grandchildren and six step-grandchildren.

Lewis was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Opal Faye Campbell (2019).

Visitation will be held at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, March 21, 2020 at the Ulmer Funeral Home. Memorial services will immediately follow at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Masonic Lodge #197 in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

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

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
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Memorial Service

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I just got to know Lew over the last couple years, and started taking my sons and myself to him for haircuts. He was a great conversationalist and just a great person all around. I am so sad to no longer see him, and I know the family must be grieving. Thank you Lew for your service to our country, and also to the Carthage community. Condolences to the family for your loss.

Daniel Bare - March 27, 2020 at 02:15 PM



“ Very sorry for your loss. From one barber to another, thanks for teaching me a few things.
Ron's Barber Shop Webb City.

Mike Samuel - March 19, 2020 at 07:41 PM

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“ My deepest sympathies to the family. Although it's been years, I grew up with 'Buster' and will always remember him as Opal Faye's little brother, whom she adored. So sad to hear this. My prayers are with you.

Paula Tatum - March 18, 2020 at 01:39 PM

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“ It's a sad day when you lose your barber of nearly 12 years. Lew was a wonderful who loved cutting hair and knew everyone who came in there and greeted them openly. Lew followed my life for all the years and still knew what was going on when I'd see him during breaks from college. A true honest mad rest easy Lew.

Zachary Mitchell - March 17, 2020 at 12:04 AM



“ *Angels Watch - Peaceful Reflections Angel was purchased for the family of Lewis "Buster" Brooks.*



March 16, 2020 at 04:44 PM



“ *Lew was the best man at our wedding and when Fred went to get a hair cut lew always was glad to see us. With tears in my eyes it's hard to say goodbye*



Nancy Saunderz - March 16, 2020 at 04:30 PM