



Eugene "Bud" Marvin

September 18, 1946 - November 16, 2021

Eugene Walter Marvin, 75, of Willow Springs, Missouri passed away at his home on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. Known to most folks by his nickname, "Bud," he was born to Stanley Lee Marvin and Genevieve Mamie (Fisher) Marvin in Sacramento, California, in 1946.

Bud grew up in Willow Springs, where he attended Davis School and Willow Springs Public Schools. He was a great athlete, participating in football, basketball, and track. He served in the US Army in Korea during the Vietnam War; he met and married his wife Claudia Erskine while stationed at Fort Carson, and then went to Alaska. Together, they raised four children, Cyndi, Eddy, Eric, and Cathy. After leaving the Army, he and Claudia moved to Springfield, Missouri, where he attended Southwest Missouri State University, and he later worked as a surveyor and did industrial maintenance for Zenith and Kraft Foods.

Bud had many interests: he canoed on Missouri Rivers, raced canoes with his younger brother, John, and son, Eddy; made hand-crafted canoe paddles with his dad, Stanley Lee "Hank" Marvin; helped return the Star Theater in Willow Springs to life as a performing arts venue; and participated in Civil War reenactments. He was involved in the Legion Hall and Historical Society. Bud loved to make stuff: hunting knives, historical firearms, archery equipment, and hand tools. He had a passion for hiking in the mountains, camping, flea

marketing, teasing/joking, eating at the Diamond Head in West Plains, and tinkering with things in general. He especially loved horses, dogs, and cats; however, he loved all wildlife and just nature in general.

Bud was preceded in death by parents, Hank and Jenny Marvin, and brother-in-law, Gordon Erskine.

He is survived by his wife Claudia; their children: Cyndi and Tim Hull, Eddy and Gretchen Marvin, Eric and Ladonna Marvin, and Cathy and Joe Hutchinson. Further surviving are his brother, John Marvin, and sister-in-law, Pam Gordon, and nephew, Emerson Gordon-Marvin. Sister-in-law, Polly Erskine, and grandchildren, Zane Hull, David Marvin, Skyler Davis, Jacob and Morgan Hutchinson, and Alexis and Wyatt Parent.

A visitation for Bud will be held Thursday, July 28, 2022 from 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. with a memorial service immediately following at Willow Funeral Home, LLC with President Don Christensen officiating. Inurnment will follow at the Willow Springs City Cemetery. For those who would like to make a memorial donation in Bud's memory may be made payable to Claudia Marvin to help defray funeral expenses and either left at the funeral home, or given to Claudia directly. Please do not make them payable to the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home, LLC. Online condolences may be expressed at www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Willow Springs City Cemetery

State Rte DD
Willow Springs, MO 65793

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Willow Funeral Home, LLC
106 E 3rd St
Willow Springs, MO 65793
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Memorial Service

JUL 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MJ

“ I knew Buddy almost my entire life. Along with his brother John, I canoed with him, camped with him, hiked with him, ate with him, hung out with him, and even golfed with him (and don't tell Bud, but neither of us were golfers....at least I knew it!) My favorite story on Buddy was when I was a state trooper stationed in Springfield. Bud had bought a piece of property out by Fordland and wanted me to go with him to go look at it and piddle around in the woods. On our way back to Springfield, Bud's van suddenly went dead. Absolutely no power, radio silent....just dead. He coasted to a stop on the bumpy gravel road we were on and being the shade tree mechanic he was, he popped the hood to fix it and much to our surprise, there was NO battery! Gone! Nada! Just two cables hanging there loose. Buddy goes, "HUH?" With that look on his face where he'd raise one eyebrow higher than the other. We looked back up the road and there laying in the middle of the gravel road was the battery. It had fallen right out the bottom of the engine compartment. So, we walked back up the road, picked it up, put it back in, attached the cables, and off we went!

So now we're on US 60 highway westbound from the Rogersville area and we meet a trooper (one of my zonemates) going eastbound. This trooper was a guy who was zero tolerant of any BS and I knew I could rile him up. Our windows were down so unbeknownst to Buddy, I gave the trooper the "one finger salute" over the top of the van roof (now, the van looked like a combo of the Scoobie Doo van and some hippie marijuana grower vehicle). Buddy goes, "there goes one of your buddies!" And I say, "yeah well, get ready because you're about to be stopped!" Of course Buddy starts spluttering, "WHAT? HOW COME? Etc." and sure enough we could see that patrol car closing on us like a heat seeking missile. Buddy pulls over onto the shoulder and that trooper is in his window before he barely had it in park and immediately begins to chew on Buddy until he hears me laughing from the passenger seat. He lowered his head fully into the window and was about to pull me out of the driver's window over Buddy when he realizes it's me his zonemate. I won't share in this forum what my

partner said but suffice it to say I got a two-for-one deal on that prank. Buddy shook all the way home and kept looking at me in disbelief shaking his head. And each time he did, I just laughed all the more!

The thing is, no matter how much I teased and tormented, Buddy was always my friend! R.I.P. my friend, you were truly one of kind with so many different talents!

Mark James - July 20, 2022 at 07:03 PM



Thanks so much for sharing that story! I can totally picture now. Much love our friend

Cyndi Hull - July 28, 2022 at 08:05 PM

RS

“ *Truly loved waiting on Bud at Applebee’s !! Always picked at me and I gave it right back, Prayers to the family!!!*

Ronda Steward - December 03, 2021 at 11:32 PM

JM

“ *Joyce Melby lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Bud" Marvin*



Joyce Melby - November 18, 2021 at 11:41 PM

SB

“ *Sorry for your loss. Sharon & John Bacon*

Sharon Bacon - November 18, 2021 at 06:19 PM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Eugene "Bud" Marvin.



November 18, 2021 at 12:24 PM



“ I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of my Friend Bud. To the family all my love and deepest condolences, I loved your Dad and husband he will be missed as he was loved by many. You may never get over this but you will get through it.
All my love.
Russ Tidlund
Springfield Mo
Russandbecky@ att.net

Russ Tidlund - November 18, 2021 at 08:25 AM



“ I'm sorry to hear of Buddys passing. I always enjoyed visiting with him and his wife when I was in town. He was a happy and entertaining soul. I expect heaven will be well entertained with the addition of Buddy.
My condolences to the family.

Pamela Corl - November 17, 2021 at 09:12 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear the news of Bud's passing. My brother Fred and Bud were good friends in school as were John and I. We all had many memories of the 60's and 70's. We will all miss him, may he find peace and comfort in his next journey.

Mike Corl Family - November 17, 2021 at 05:03 PM