



## Mr. James Elmore Melton

December 10, 1930 - July 18, 2019

James Elmore Melton, a resident of Bucyrus, MO passed away peacefully in his sleep early Thursday morning, July 18, 2019 while at Houston House Nursing Center in Houston, MO, to reunite with his beloved wife, Catherine. Born December 10, 1930 to William F. and Lora Mae (Perkins) Melton in Wappapello, MO, he was 88 years old.

He and Catherine Tabor were married on February 24, 1952 in Mountain View, MO and together they had three children: Bonnie Harriott (passed Oct. 2013), Linda King (Robert), James Lee Melton (Cheryl), all of Kansas City, MO. Elmore was an equipment operator, employed by Corn Products of North Kansas City for more than 30 years. His favorite hobbies were hunting, fishing, riding his 4-wheeler, and EATING. He was always asking Catherine what was for dinner while still eating breakfast. Upon retirement, he and Catherine moved to a cabin on Table Rock Lake. After their first winter on the lake, they decided that wasn't the place for them. The following spring, they moved to a beautiful farm in Ellis Prairie/Bucyrus, MO where they lived happily together until Catherine's passing in the Spring of 2005. Sadly, for all, the farm and home were recently auctioned off due to Elmore's failing health. At that time, he was transferred to Houston House, a wonderful health care facility, where he was visited daily by his loving and supportive niece, Marsha Shearrer and her husband, Ralph.

He is preceded in death by his parents, five siblings, his wife, one daughter, and one great-granddaughter.

He is survived by two children; six grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, and several great-great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, sisters, and brothers-in-law, who were like blood to him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Houston House, the American Heart Association, or the Children's Mercy Hospital of Kansas City.

REST IN PEACE NOW...your journey here has ended and all those whom you loved and are left behind will be here to carry on for you. Don't forget to give Catherine a hug and kiss from all of us.

A graveside service for Mr. Melton will be held on Monday, July 22, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. at the Willow Springs City Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home, LLC. On-line condolences may be left at [www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com](http://www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Graveside Funeral Service

JUL **22.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Willow Springs City Cemetery  
State Rte DD  
Willow Springs, MO 65793

# Tribute Wall

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“ My great uncle was a wonderful man ,I remember sitting watching him and my grandma play dice and laughing as a a child as I got older I remember going to his farm and trying to catfish and riding the 4 wheeler with the cousins ,but my fondest 2 memories will be him play the piano and watching enjoy the fried chicken that my mom brought him just about 2 weeks ago I love you Uncle and I will miss you but until we meet again watch down on our wonderful family.

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**Eugenia Frazier** - July 20, 2019 at 05:52 PM

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*He became my uncle when I married his nephew. Even though that marriage came to an end the affection between Uncle and I did not. I trust that he is at peace and is hugging his beloved wife once again.*

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**Pam Oziah** - July 21, 2019 at 10:35 PM



*Our years with You were the Best in Life. You will Forever be Remembered and Cherished in Our Hearts. Love You Unc ... Sandy and Rhonda Page*

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**Rhonda Page** - July 24, 2019 at 09:25 PM