



Charles Beasterfeld

July 22, 1938 - July 27, 2025

Charles Duane Beasterfeld went to be with Jesus on Sunday morning, July 27, 2025, while at Midland Hospice House, after spending several years with Parkinson's Disease. Charles was born on July 22, 1938, in Belvue, Kansas, to George W. and Lydia L. (Steege) Beasterfeld. He attended rural schools in Jackson and Wabaunsee Counties in Kansas, and graduated from St. John's Lutheran School in Alma, Kansas. He then attended all four years at Eskridge Rural High School where he graduated in May 1958.

Charles enlisted in the United States Air Force on October 7, 1958, and served over three years in Laon, France. His active duty ended on April 2, 1962, with an honorable discharge.

Upon discharge from the Air Force, Charles moved to Wamego, Kansas and renewed a relationship with Mary Bush. They were married on July 9, 1962, at her parent's home in Eskridge, Kansas. They were blessed with three sons, Dale, Paul, and Mark.

Charles and Mary moved from Wamego to Rock Island, Illinois shortly after being married and later moved to Coal Valley, Illinois. He worked at the Eagle Food Center Warehouse in Milan, Illinois until the end of 1966. He then worked at International Harvester Farmall Works until they had a layoff in 1968. At that time, they moved back to Topeka, Kansas, where he began work

at the Goodyear Tire Plant until he retired just short of 31 years due to health issues. While working at Goodyear, they moved from Topeka to a rural area east of Eskridge. In his later years, a decision was made to move back to Topeka.

Charles was a member of South Knollwood Baptist Church in Topeka, where he served as door greeter for many years. He had a habit of reading a chapter of Proverbs daily in addition to his regular Bible reading. He enjoyed playing games on his phone, reading books, and listening to Southern Gospel music, especially the Greater Vision singing group. After his retirement, he enjoyed raising goats and loved watching the playful antics of the kid goats. He also enjoyed gardening, especially flower gardening and continued this even when he lived in their Topeka apartment.

Charles is survived by his beloved wife, Mary; sons, Dale (Chris) Beasterfeld, of Eudora, Kansas, Paul Beasterfeld West, of Mesa, Arizona, and Mark Beasterfeld, of Topeka; three grandsons; four granddaughters; three great-grandsons; and two great-granddaughters.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, four sisters, and daughter-in-law, Cindy Beasterfeld.

Visitation will be at 10 a.m. with funeral service to follow at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 9, 2025, at South Knollwood Baptist Church, 1813 SW 29th Street, Topeka KS 66611. Burial will be at 1:15 p.m. at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Admire, Kansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to South Knollwood Baptist Church, in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Condolences may be sent online at www.kevinbrennanfamily.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

South Knollwood Baptist Church
1813 SW 29th Street
Topeka, KS 66611

Funeral Service

AUG 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Committal Service

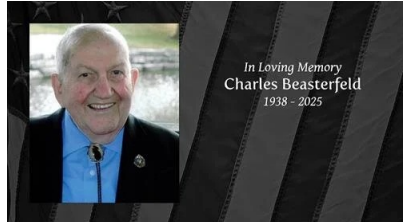
AUG 9. 1:15 PM (CT)

Pleasant Ridge Cemetery
3800 Road S.
Allen , KS 66833

Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles Beasterfeld



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 30, 2025 at 03:56 PM

BM

“ I love this picture of him; he was always smiling . When we first started coming to South Knollwood he recruited me to be a greeter. I'll look forward to seeing him again one day. Barbara & Richard McCarter

Barbara McCarter - July 30, 2025 at 06:55 PM

ML

“ To all Charlie's family, the Lord didn't make folks much better than Charlie. It was a pleasure to work with him at Goodyear. Godspeed, friend.

Michael Thomas LaFontaine - July 30, 2025 at 04:59 PM

DS

This guy here taught me mostly everything I knew he showed me how to do it. The right way I work with Charlie for quite a few years, a good year, when I worked there, he was one of the best. You tell me, don't come to work to work hard. Come to work to work not hard. Well, put together guy taught me a lot. We'll be missed by all.

Denise L Scott - August 19, 2025 at 02:46 PM