



Ermel Caviness

January 15, 1915 - May 3, 2005

Ermel E. Caviness, 90, Topeka died Tuesday, May 3 ,2005.

Mr. Caviness was born January 15, 1915 in Henryetta, Oklahoma to John Frank Caviness and Emma Barton Caviness. Mr. Caviness served in the Army Air Corps during WW II in Europe and Africa. He was an oil well rigger in central Kansas before becoming a farmer in Shawnee County in 1952. He was a charter member of Wanamaker Road Baptist Church. He married Lydia Hergenreter on February 19, 1945 in Topeka, she preceded him in death.

Survivors include a son, Charles Caviness and his wife Hope, Auburn, KS; daughter, Linda Orton and her husband Richard, Salina, KS; eight grandchildren, Christine Zimmerman, John Caviness, Andrew Caviness, Janette Reinke, Jeff Ruediger, Todd Ruediger, Ben Orton, Craig Orton and six great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, David Caviness, and daughter Kathleen Ruediger.

Mr. Caviness will lie in state from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday where the family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held 2:30 p.m. Friday at Wanamaker Road Baptist Church. Burial will follow at West Lawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Wanamaker Road Baptist Church,
2700 SW Wanamaker Rd, Topeka, KS 66614.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ermel Caviness*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I was sorry to hear about the passing of Uncle Ermil. I extend my deepest sympathies and hope that you find comfort and peace knowing that he has passed on to an eternal life waiting for all of us.*

*Sherri Caviness Bates
(Daughter of Herman and Jeraldine Caviness)*

Sherri Caviness Bates - May 05, 2005 at 05:18 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Uncle Ermils passing away. I'm thankful I was able to meet him and enjoy a Seattle Mariners baseball game one day not to long ago. I believe he enjoyed the game and is a memory I will treasure forever. We attended the game with Chuck and my dad Ray. Many prayers and hugs to all.*

Dan Caviness & family

Dan Caviness - May 05, 2005 at 12:39 PM