



## Benjamin Wyatt Burford

July 22, 1930 - January 21, 2017

Tuesday, July 22, 1930 to Saturday, January 21, 2017

A Resident of Marble Hill, MO

Visitation Services will be held on Friday, January 27, 2017 at 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Liley Funeral Home Marble Hill, MO

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Liley Funeral Home in Marble Hill, MO

The Final Resting Place is at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, MO

Benjamin Wyatt Burford went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 21, 2017. Born July 22, 1930, at Lutesville, MO, to Pearl Wagner and Benjamin W. Burford, he graduated from Lutesville High School in 1948. After service in Japan during the Korean War Ben returned to his home town. He married G. Jo Conrad on October 2, 1959. To Jo and Ben were born K Denise (Jack S Bland) of Bentonville, AR and C. Scott (Jenni L. Ford) also of Bentonville.

Ben's work career began as a boy sweeping the Lewis movie theater in Marble Hill, MO and included work at Lucky Johnson's sawmill, and the

Texas/Illinois pipeline, when he began studies at Southeast Missouri State University. After service in the United States Air Force he returned to Southeast to complete a Bachelor of Science in Education and began teaching at Woodland R-IV Schools. A Master's in Education at the University of Missouri, was completed in 1961. Ben taught a variety of social studies courses, including Driver's Education and coached Jr. High and High School; basketball, baseball, and volleyball, over his nine years at Woodland before joining Hammond and Stephens Company of Fremont NE, in sales for the educational publisher.

He retired from sales after 35 years and spent many more miles driving a golf cart, traveling at home and abroad with Jo, and visiting his kids and friends located across the US.

BWB is survived by his wife, children and grandchildren, Benjamin, Jacob, and Matthew Burford.

Ben would say that meeting Jesus Christ in 1964 dramatically changed the course of his life and that of his family. He was in fellowship at Marble Hill Bible Chapel, where he served as an elder and taught adult Sunday School for many years. That decision prepared him for this homegoing and is cause for our rejoicing today. John 3:16.

Visitation will be Friday, January 27, 2017 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Liley Funeral Home in Marble Hill, Missouri.

Funeral Services will be Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Funeral Home with Dan Greene officiating. Burial will follow on Monday, January 30, 2017 at the Missouri Veteran Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.