



## Alfred Duncon Colbert

January 10, 1925 - September 22, 2015

Alfred Duncon Colbert, 90, of Whiteside, passed away on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 in Whiteside, Missouri. He was born on January 10, 1925 in Whiteside, Missouri, a son of the late Nora (Colbert) Gaw. He was united in marriage on August 7, 1948 in Troy, Missouri to Ida "Louise" Gibson. To this union six children were born: Donald Eugene, Kathy Sue, Vicki Ann, Deborah Jean, Terri Lynn and Sharon Kay.

Alfred attended High School in Eolia and served his country during WWII, in the Army, from June 12, 1944 until April 12, 1946. During this time, he was promoted to Staff Sgt., as a Squad Leader and Rifleman and was responsible for directing and coordinating the functioning of 11 riflemen with the 6th Division in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. Then when duty called again, he answered serving in Korea, in the 7th Infantry, as a Sergeant, from October 7, 1950 until his honorable discharge, August 9, 1951. During his active military careers he received a Bronze Service Star, 2 Combat Infantry Badges (at 31st infantry headquarters, Company D), a Purple Heart, 3 Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medals, a Philippine Liberation Ribbon and the Korean Service Medal. He was a member of the VFW Post #8828 in Troy, MO and was selected to participate in the Honor Flight. Alfred enjoyed his Thursday morning Veteran's coffee talk and was proud of his dedication to his country. Alfred worked at various places throughout his lifetime as an operator and was the oldest member of Local #513 Operating Engineers. He worked for HA Dailey Construction, Roland Akers Excavation, Colbert Excavation, Dave Kolb

Grading and after his retirement as caretaker of the Presbyterian Children's Home in Whiteside. Alfred was a busy man who was never idle and was always there to help those in need.

Alfred attended the Whiteside Presbyterian Church for 83 years and was an Elder. He was a past board member of the Pike R-III Clopton School Board, Silex Masonic Lodge and as a life time resident of Whiteside he served several terms on the Whiteside Town Board. The city recognized Alfred for all his hard work and dedication to his community over the years, with the "Alfred Colbert Park."

He is survived by his children: Donald and wife Debbie Colbert of Troy, Kathy Shramek and husband Dennis of Williamsburg, Vicki Lagemann and husband Bill of Clarksville, Debby Pieper of Moscow Mills, Terri Kunza of Webster, TX and Sharon Jepsen and husband Rob of Warrenton; sixteen grandchildren: Kevin Bryant and wife Shelley, John Bryant and wife Carrie, Brian Shramek and wife Angela, Julie Burgher, Alan Colbert and wife Michelle, Mark Colbert and wife Angie, Sherri Stark and husband Chris, Dawn Dee and husband Ethan, Larry Lagemann and wife Susan, Danny Pieper and wife Amanda, Derek Pieper, Darren Pieper, Chris Bailey and wife Kristi, Kayla Kunza and Nick Jepsen and wife Melissa; great-grandchildren: Dane Colbert, Brooke Colbert, Todd Hale, Keegan Hale, Chase Colbert, Ty Colbert, Cole Stark, Abby Stark, Adisyn Stark, Reagan Dee, Maria Dee, Ryan Dee, Taylor Bryant, Katy Bryant, Molly Bryant, Jillian Bryant, Adrienne Bryant, Brianna Shramek, Braden Shramek, Arika Shramek, Mariah Zahnter, Eastin Burgher, Abrielle Burgher, Lauren Lagemann, Ashtyn Lagemann, Evan Lagemann, Samantha Lagemann, Austin Lagemann, Kaylee Jepsen, Gavin Jepsen, Peyton Bailey, Jackson Duncan Bailey and Alfred Jasper Kunza; two sisters in-law, June Gibson of Silex and Alice Gibson of Troy; one brother, Charley Cox and wife JoAnn of Bowling Green, a granddaughter-in-law, Melinda Lagemann Patrick and many friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, his loving wife, one son-in-law, Don Pieper; two grandsons: David Pieper and Donnie

Lagemann and four brothers-in-law: Arnold Gibson, Derwood Gibson, Albert Gibson and Laverne Gibson

Friends will be received from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2015 at KEMPER-MILLARD-KEIM Family Funeral Home / Troy Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 26, 2015 at Whiteside Presbyterian Church located at 208 Church Street/Whiteside, MO 63387. Interment will be held at Auburn Cemetery. Officiating will be Reverend Sammy Lorton and Reverend Murray Phillips. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Veterans Coffee Talk or Wounded Warriors, in care of Kemper-Millard-Keim Family Funeral Chapel; P.O. Box 222, Troy, MO 63379. Online condolences may be made at [www.kempermillardkeimfamilychapel.com](http://www.kempermillardkeimfamilychapel.com) Ph.(636) 528-8221

# Cemetery Details

## Auburn Cemetery

Silex, MO 63377

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 25. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel - Troy  
351 Monroe St.  
Troy, MO 63379  
(636) 528-8221  
millardchapel@aol.com

## Service

SEP 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

Whiteside Presbyterian Church  
208 Church Street  
Whiteside, MO 63387

# Tribute Wall



“ Alfred Duncon Colbert

January 30, 2023 at 12:08 AM



“ Alfred Duncon Colbert

January 29, 2023 at 10:26 PM



“ I want to add my words of sympathy and support to Alfred's family. Over the last 40 plus years I have visited in the Colbert family home and have known many members of the family. He contributed of his time, talents and financial support to the work of the Whiteside Presbyterian Church and to his home community. He will be missed.  
D. Randall Cone, Louisiana, MO

D. Randall Cone - October 06, 2015 at 06:19 PM

DH

“ I worked with Alfred for over 7 years at the boys home in White Side. It was always a joy when Alfred showed up in the mornings. He would always tell some funny joke, or pull some kind of prank that would start the day off right. Still to this day I have never figured out how he could work so hard at his age. His knowledge of everything at White Side was so greatly appreciated. He would always look forward to reading a good western book. He also found great joy talking about his kids and grandchildren, When he knew he was going to get to be with them it was all he could talk about. I will always cherish the times we had together. I wil truly miss him.

David W. Horstmeyer  
Hannibal, MO...

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David Horstmeyer - September 25, 2015 at 04:27 PM

VL

Thanks, Dave. Daddy spoke of you often and enjoyed working with you.

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vicki lagemann - September 27, 2015 at 09:29 AM

SE

“ Steven, Robin, Will, Kade, Duke and Beau Eudy purchased the Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern for the family of Alfred Duncon Colbert.



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Steven, Robin, Will, Kade, Duke and Beau Eudy - September 24, 2015 at 11:26 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Alfred Duncon Colbert.*



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September 24, 2015 at 09:05 AM



“ *“What we have once enjoyed, we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes part of us.” -Helen Keller My deepest sympathy go out to the family of Mr. Colbert. May you find peace in knowing how much he was loved. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*



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**Nina Daniel** - September 23, 2015 at 07:05 PM



“ *From Your Flowserve Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Alfred Duncon Colbert.*



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**From Your Flowserve Family** - September 23, 2015 at 01:17 PM



“ *My prayers go out to your family. I pray that God gives you peace during this difficult time. Take care.*

*Brad Jennings  
Troy, MO*

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**Brad Jennings** - September 23, 2015 at 12:54 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Alfred Duncon Colbert.*



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September 23, 2015 at 12:37 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

*Amber Cope*

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**Amber Cope** - September 23, 2015 at 12:19 PM



“ *To all the family,  
So sorry to hear of the loss of your father.. What a good life he had, and the children he leaves behind speak for the wonderful job both he and your mother did in raising each and everyone of you. We're never ready to let go of our loved ones, but, we hope and pray that they are in a better place.  
In our thoughts and prayers.*

*David and Maureen Wommack*

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**Maureen Wommack** - September 23, 2015 at 10:33 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Alfred Duncon Colbert.*



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September 23, 2015 at 10:24 AM



“ *Dear Cobert Family,*

*So sorry for your loss. Keeping you in our prayers. It's not goodbye it is see you later.*

*May the peace that passes all understanding surround you all and comfort you at this difficult time.*

*With Love,  
Jack & Debbie Dempsey*

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**Jack & Debra Dempsey** - September 23, 2015 at 10:02 AM



“ *Very sorry for your tragic loss. What a wonderful life he had.*

*With love,  
Stephen Cooper*

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**Stephen Cooper** - September 22, 2015 at 08:40 PM



“ *I so enjoyed my visit with Alfred during Terri's Father' Day visit. Alfred made no bones about how much his family meant to him. He will be missed.*

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**Jo Ann Cordsiemon** - September 22, 2015 at 08:16 PM

MS

*He and Louise were two of the nicest people I have known*

**maxine simmons** - September 22, 2015 at 11:52 PM

LB

*Ditto to all comments please to a wonderful lovely family,,Bonnie Sue and LeRoy Braungardt*

**LeRoy Braungardt** - September 24, 2015 at 09:06 AM

PB

*My thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate the life of a wonderful man, father, and grandfather. Many cherished memories will remain. I am acknowledging a friendship of many years with him, his children, and especially with Vicki and Bill. God bless each of you!*

**Pamela Bolte** - September 28, 2015 at 02:28 PM