



## George Clifton Adelhardt Jr.

December 11, 1936 - February 14, 2026

George Clifton Adelhardt, Jr., 89, a lifetime resident of Moscow Mills, Missouri, went home to the Lord on Saturday, February 14, 2026, and was welcomed by his loving wife, Donna. He was born on December 11, 1936, in Moscow Mills, Missouri, and was the son of the late George C. and Jeanette (Twellmann) Adelhardt. George married the love of his life, Donna Marie Haage on April 21, 1973 at the Friedens United Church of Christ in Moscow Mills, Missouri and she preceded him in death. Together, they welcomed one daughter, Janette.

George attended grade school in Moscow Mills and graduated from Buchanan High in 1955. Starting at a young age of working on the family farm, it carried on long into his adult life and was later passed down two generations. George has lived on the family farm and resided in the same home he was born in his entire life. Farming was not only the life he knew, but a passion that ran deep. George loved his family and looking after his Hereford cattle. He was known for baling hay in almost all of Lincoln County and his CB handle was HaySeed. He knew the Lincoln County Roads like the back of his hand and was everyone's favorite bus driver with the Lincoln County R-III School District. He retired in May of 2014 with 42 years of dedication to the school district and was a mentor to many. George was a man of strong faith and deep roots with the Friedens United Church of Christ in Moscow Mills, Missouri, where he was a lifetime member. He was a familiar face with the Moscow

Mills Lions Club, where he looked forward to lending a helping hand when needed. George valued the time he spent with his family and made it a priority to attend the grandsons' baseball games, band concerts, 4-H or FFA Cattle Shows or football games. They knew their #1 fan would be in the stands cheering them on. George looked forward to watching tractor pulls and just sitting outside enjoying the sun. He was a man of very few words but a BIG heart. George was always there when you needed him and didn't expect anything in return. His words of advice and hard-working hands will be missed.

George is survived by his loving daughter, Janette Heinsz and husband Brian of Moscow Mills, MO; two grandsons: Joshua Knittig and Jacob Heinsz; and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Family and friends will be received from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at the Moscow Mills Lions Club, located at 30 Freise Industrial Drive Moscow Mills, MO 63362. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 am on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at Friedens United Church of Christ, located at 980 Main Street Moscow Mills, MO 63362.

As per George's request, flannel, jeans or even just come as you are, is encouraged.

Interment will be held at Friedens Cemetery in Moscow Mills, MO. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to Moscow Mills Lions Club or Friedens Cemetery Board in care of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 222, Troy, MO 63379.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel; 351 Monroe Street Troy, MO 63379. Online condolences may be made at [www.kemperkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com](http://www.kemperkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com) Phone 636-528-8221

# Cemetery Details

## Friedens Cemetery

Moscow Mills, MO 63362

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Moscow Mills Lions Club  
30 Freise Industrial Drive  
Moscow Mills, MO 63362

## Funeral Service

FEB 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Friedens United Church of Christ  
980 Main St  
Moscow Mills, MO 63362

# Tribute Wall

KK

“ Thanks for all the fun hay rides, Cliff!! You were always so very sweet. Fly high!

Kim Knittig - February 18 at 11:21 AM

SK

“ Steve, Kim, Cory & Jordan Knittig purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..



Steve, Kim, Cory & Jordan Knittig - February 18 at 11:06 AM

SK

“ Steve, Kim, Cory & Jordan Knittig planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..

Steve, Kim, Cory & Jordan Knittig - February 18 at 11:06 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..



February 17 at 11:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..

February 17 at 11:55 AM



“ Marsha Mills purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..



Marsha Mills - February 17 at 10:45 AM



“ Wonderful man who seemed to enjoy life! Prayers for the family.

Stacy and Sandy Bergesch - February 16 at 10:28 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Mr George was most definitely our favorite bus driver #8. Everyone loved him.  
Brenda Justus Gregory



Brenda Gregory - February 16 at 01:26 AM



“ Love, Brian, Miriam and Family purchased the Si mply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..



Love, Brian, Miriam and Family - February 15 at 06:59 PM

LF

“ Love, Brian, Miriam and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..

Love, Brian, Miriam and Family - February 15 at 06:59 PM

RJ

“ Rory and Jen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of George Clifton Adelhardt Jr..



Rory and Jen - February 15 at 04:36 PM

MH

“ We enjoyed spending time with George at the farm. He loved to talk about his grandsons. His eyes would light up talking about them. He was a special person as will be missed.  
With deepest sympathy  
Margie as Tom Heinsz

Margie ad Tom Heinsz - February 15 at 03:35 PM

MM

Such a kind and gentle soul. He was an amazing man. Sending condolences to family and friends

Marsha Mills - February 17 at 10:39 AM