



## Marion Pearl Keim

April 19, 1937 - June 4, 2017

Marion Pearl Keim, 80, of Elsberry, MO passed away at his residence, surrounded by his family on Sunday, June 4, 2017. He was born on April 19, 1937 in Hannibal, Missouri and was the son of the late Edward and Elizabeth Josephine Keim.

Growing up Marion farmed, raising livestock, harvesting crops and milking cows. Marion met the love of his life Verna Randsell at a high school basketball game in Hannibal, Missouri and it was all history from there. Marion and Verna were united in marriage on July 14, 1956 in Hannibal and to this union four children were born; Marion "Doc", Tammy, Beth and Judy. He enjoyed coaching many khoury and Jack and Jill teams. He liked spending time with family and friends, hunting, turkey, deer and dove. Marion started as a lineman in 1956 for Hannibal Power and Light in Hannibal, Missouri. He moved the family to Elsberry, MO and continued his lifelong passion with Missouri Edison on April 27, 1964. While employed with Missouri Edison which later became Union Electric he worked as a General Utility Man, Journey Pipefitter, Service Lineman and Equipment Operator. After the transition with Ameren UE he served as a Journey Lineman, Service Lineman and Chief Lineman until his retirement on October 1, 1999. Following his retirement he was able to love life with his family! Marion and Verna traveled many miles to cheer on their grandchildren with the many activities they participated in. He enjoyed the time he spent in his boat on the river,

supervising everyone's fishing and pheasant hunting in South Dakota.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Verna Keim of Elsberry, MO; one son and three daughters: Marion "Doc" Keim (Sharon) of Troy, Tammy Sharpe (Steven) of Elsberry, Beth Blackmon (Steve Edwards) of Elsberry and Judy Markwardt (Gene) of Elsberry; three siblings: Vivian Hayes (Delbert) of Hannibal, Ralph Keim (DeLois) of Palmyra and Jim Keim (Debbie) of Louisiana; ten grandchildren: Jared Lange (Stacy), Josh Lange (Rhea), Jody Keim (Kendra), Cassie Henebry (Robert), Adrienne Markwardt, Bryan Keim (Samantha), Arla Jo Kaimann (Michael), Tabitha Markwardt (Nathan Wilson), Jamie Keim-Thurman (Chris) and Justin Keim (Megan); thirteen great grandchildren: Tyler Keim, Emma Lange, Paige Keim, Jacob Lange, Layne Henebry, Ava Keim, Jaxon Henebry, Mason Henebry, Brody Keim, Lucy Thurman, Connor Keim, Elizabeth Kaimann, Ellie Keim, Ashley Zenk and David Fry; three great-great-granddaughters: Hailey, Matty and Marlee; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law: Cleo Ransdell of Louisiana and Myrtle Riggs (Ron) of Hannibal; nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, his father, two siblings, Edward "Bud" Keim and Delores Thoele and one brother-in-law Russell D. Ransdell and one great-great grandchild, Peanut Kaimann.

Family and friends will be received from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church located at 714 W Lincoln St, Elsberry, MO 63343. Funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Elsberry, MO. Officiating the mass will be Father Charles P. Tichacek. Interment will be held at the Elsberry City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers expressions of sympathy may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, in care of KEMPER-MILLARD-KEIM Family Funeral Chapel P.O.

Box 222 Troy, MO 63379.

# Cemetery Details

## Elsberry City Cemtery

Elsberry, MO 63343

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Elsberry, MO  
714 W Lincoln St  
Elsberry, MO 63343

## Mass

JUN 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Marion Pearl Keim*

January 30, 2023 at 12:08 AM



“ *Marion Pearl Keim*

January 29, 2023 at 10:26 PM



“ *Verna and family,  
There are some people I remember fondly no matter the time or distance between. Marion was one of those people for me. I probably could not tell you exactly why except to say that he embodied so many solid character qualities that I prize. I am so sorry for your huge earthly loss. Until we all meet again, be comforted, strengthened, and empowered by the Lord, who is more than able to do so.  
My love and sympathy,  
Kathie Blackman Dudley*

**Kathie Dudley** - June 09, 2017 at 06:32 AM



“ *Great memories of "coach". Always showed patience and support. Thanks for taking the time to invest in a young boys life.*

**Doug McKay** - June 08, 2017 at 11:11 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marion Pearl Keim.*



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June 06, 2017 at 01:57 PM



“ *Lolita Windham lit a candle in memory of Marion Pearl Keim*



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**Lolita Windham** - June 06, 2017 at 10:02 AM



*I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one. I only had the privilege of meeting him once when I flew there to visit. But, I heard great stories about him. May you find peace and comfort in the many wonderful memories you were blessed to share. I love you guys.*

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**Lolita Windham** - June 06, 2017 at 10:05 AM



“ *Many a weekend and New Year's Eve and Day spent at their house with Beth and Debbie Harding. Marion would drive me home in Paynesville where we all would sleep the rest of the day away. Marion and Verna were always great to us, even though he scared us half to death when he would look at us????? He still did as we got older????? So sorry for your loss, he did enjoy all of his children, sports, and etc. You will be missed by the community of Elsberry and friends of your family.*

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**Barbara Irvin Wurtz** - June 06, 2017 at 08:43 AM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Marion Pearl Keim.*



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June 05, 2017 at 05:44 PM