



## Kent Taylor

June 12, 1939 - July 13, 2016

Mr. Donald Kent Taylor, 77, of Clarksville, Missouri passed away Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the Maple Grove Lodge Nursing Home in Louisiana, Missouri. Graveside services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 18, 2016 at the Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville, Missouri. Mr. Robert Hoehn will officiate. Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 17th at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, Missouri.

Kent was born June 12, 1939 in Louisiana, Missouri the son of Joe and Laura May Howington Taylor.

He married Bertha Mae Thomas March 6, 1964 at Edgewood, Missouri.

He is survived by his wife, Bertha Mae Taylor of the home, two cousins; Raymond "Dale" Cashman of Louisiana, Missouri and Tommy Hamlett of the State of Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Laura May Taylor, one son; Joe Thomas Taylor who died July 22, 1987 and an infant sister, Jo Ann Taylor who died at birth.

Kent graduated from the Clopton High School in 1957. He had been employed as the Clarksville Utilities Superintendent for 21 years. He was later employed as a Sheriff's Deputy for the Pike County Sheriff's Department for 13 years retiring in 2005.

Kent was a Charter Member of Historic Clarksville, Inc., Past member of the Louisiana Elks Lodge 791, Clarksville Boat Club, Clarksville Odd Fellows Lodge #53, Pike County Democrat Club and Democrat Central Committee.

Pallbearers are; Jimmie Wells, Don Nacke, Pete Cannon, Gerald Taylor, Roger Dowell and Bill Hunter.

Memorials may be given to the Greenwood Cemetery Association in care of Collier Funeral Homes, Inc., 117 Barnard Dr., Louisiana, Missouri 63353.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

Pike 235  
Clarksville, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.  
117 Barnard Dr  
Louisiana, MO 63353  
(573) 754-4800  
collierfuneral@att.net

## Graveside Services

JUL 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery  
Pike 235  
Clarksville, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kent Taylor*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Kent Taylor*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *I only recently found out that Kent had passed away. Our fathers farmed next door to each other. He was like a big brother to me when I was growing up as a teenage. He was the best man at my first wedding. We drifted apart when I moved to Illinois and never reconnected. I made Joey's visitation and Kent was amazed. It was tough for him. He passed shortly after I moved back to Missouri to live with my Mom when she cracked her spine.*

**John Davidson** - September 07, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Bertha Mae and family. I met kent a few times when visiting my sister. Janet and the Taylor's are neighbors. Kent was the kind of person to give a helping hand. Prayers to the family.*

**barbara daugherty** - July 17, 2016 at 10:41 PM

Roni  
Bryant

“ *Oh what a character! I remember him fondly & just one of the good guys, in my eyes. He always smiled & gave us heck, but always a very nice man. I'm sorry to hear of his passing.*



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**Roni Bryant** - July 16, 2016 at 01:47 AM

TF

“ *The Ben Bryant Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Kent Taylor.*



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**The Ben Bryant Family** - July 15, 2016 at 10:24 PM

DK

“ *My condolences and hugs for you, Bertha Mae. I have such fond memories of growing up in Clarksville and Kent and Bertha Mae were part of that. They were good friends of my parents Ben and Hoffy Bryant. My sister Dana, my cousin Asa and Joey spent their early years playing together. Kent always had a smile on his face and a kind word to say. Kent will be missed. Debbie Bryant Kindley...*

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**Debbie Kindley** - July 15, 2016 at 09:37 PM

JJ

“ Kent & I had a special friend relationship that we inherited from our fathers, even before we were born. I lost my father in 1950 (heart failure) when I was age 11, but Kent got to keep his for many, many years after that. I first met Kent in 7th grade at Clarksville grade school. It took a while for us to connect because we had different friends & interests. When Kent's dad told him about running around with my dad as youths, it pulled Kent & I into a unique situation that few folks have. It made us both glad & also disappointed that we never got to sit with our dads together & hear both sides of the stories that Kent's dad told us.

As far as I know, neither Kent or I ever told any of our other friends the basis of our friend-ship. Many of our friends couldn't understand it, because we both had different interests in music, sports, girls, classes, cars, hobbies & everything. However, no matter the situation, we each knew we had each others backs---for life. That's what true friendship is all about. God bless Bertha Mae... John Frank Jeans

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**John Frank Jeans** - July 15, 2016 at 08:16 PM

FK

“ Friends forever...John Jeans & wife Kay purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kent Taylor.



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**Friends forever...John Jeans & wife Kay** - July 15, 2016 at 05:31 PM

JC

“ I remember Kent and Bertha Mae were very sweet to my sister and I when we would visit my grandparents across the road from them. To my five-year-old eyes, I remember Kent being very handsome and kind. My condolences Bertha Mae. I remember you fondly and the times we got to play with Joey.  
Joan (Jaeger) Costello

Joan Costello - July 15, 2016 at 05:25 PM

CB

Kent was the little brother that my dad never had, so he was especially close to my family. I remember Kent and Bertha Mae during basically three different times in my life. First, as Joan just described, when we were young and the Taylors lived across the street from our grandparents; we had many visits, whether it was splashing in the pool with Joey or riding the Sky Lift, for example. Then we saw Kent again when we came to Clarksville for my grandparents' funerals and he was going through a rough time after Joey's death. Fast forward many years and Mike and I moved into the Jaeger house 8 years ago. Kent was "an old man" by then, and he spent many precious hours visiting with us. We love you so much, dear Bertha Mae. We invite you to come and visit anytime.

Carol Brabo - July 16, 2016 at 10:53 AM

FK

“ From your life-long friend, John Frank & wife Kay purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kent Taylor.



From your life-long friend, John Frank & wife Kay - July 15, 2016 at 05:07 PM

DC

“ *My condolences to Kent's family. He was a great man.*

**Dianne Collins** - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 PM

KS

“ *Kent was a kind and caring man that will be sorely missed. I'm so sorry Bertha Mae for your loss, sending prayers and hugs!*

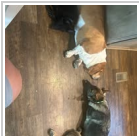


**Kathy Smith** - July 15, 2016 at 09:04 AM



“ *To Kents Family & Friends Sorry For Ur Lost , iam Donald Hammers From Paynesville Mo in so many ways Kent was like a Big Brother to me back in the day, Always had good advice for me as a youngman , but me the hot head !! I'll always remember him !! May he R.I.P*

**Donald Hammers** - July 14, 2016 at 06:16 PM



“ *Love u uncle Kent will always be miss*

**Mary Thomas** - July 14, 2016 at 04:23 PM

JC

“ *Jim & Margaret Cordry lit a candle in memory of Kent Taylor*



**Jim & Margaret Cordry** - July 14, 2016 at 02:23 PM

JJ

*So sorry for your loss, Bertha Mae. I am Julia La Bar's daughter I knew Kent and his parents for many years.*

**Jim** - July 14, 2016 at 02:26 PM

JH

*My deepest sympathies, Bertha Mae.*

**Jerri Harrelson** - July 14, 2016 at 05:36 PM

SJ

*Sorry for your loss, Bertha Mae, Kent was a find fellow and remember him growing up in Clarksville, especially as my bus driver while I attended Clopton Schools. You have my sincere Sympathy*

**Stephen Jones** - July 14, 2016 at 06:36 PM

RD

*Many hugs to you, Bertha Mae. You have my most sincere sympathy. Please know my thoughts are with you in this difficult time.*

**Rhonda Stolte Darnell** - July 15, 2016 at 08:37 AM

SM

*so sorry to hear about kent weregood friends he will be missed*

**sammy meyers** - July 15, 2016 at 11:28 AM