



Leon J. Reeves

August 9, 1926 - September 28, 2025

Leon James Reeves, 99, of Louisiana, MO, Passed away on Sunday, September 28, 2025 at his home. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. Fr. Henry Ussher will officiate. Visitation will be held from 11:00 A.M. until time of service Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial with full military honors will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO.

Leon was born on August 9, 1926 in Redmondville, MO to Corbett Reeves and Lillie Lewis Reeves. He was married to Rita Pezold on July 2, 1954 in Ladue, MO and she preceded him in death on June 3, 2023. He was also preceded in death by his parents, and siblings Fern Lacy, Helen Reeves, Glenora Gibbons, Oran "Curly" Reeves, Val Fish, Mary Parker, and Maureen Reeves.

He is survived by a son James D. Reeves (Cindy) of St. Charles, MO, a granddaughter Lydia Mackey (Ron) of Louisiana, MO, 3 great grandchildren Andrew Mackey, Patrick Wolff, and Kye Mackey, a brother Bud Reeves (Becky), brother in-law Johnny Parker, and a sister in-law Grace Reeves.

Leon was a WWII veteran serving in the US Army. He had worked different jobs during his life, but his most enjoyable career was being a truck driver. He was a member of the VFW Post #5553 in Bowling Green, MO and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Louisiana, MO.

Memorials may be made to the VFW Post #5553 in Bowling Green, MO.

Online condolences can be sent at collierfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

2900 Sheridan Rd.
St. Louis, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Louisiana, MO 63353
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Funeral Service

OCT 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Services

OCT 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery
2900 Sheridan Rd.
St. Louis, MO

Tribute Wall

MG

“ *It's so saddening to see such a great man pass. He lived as such an honest and hardworking man. He was and forever will be the neighborhood Papa.* ”

Marlee Grogan - October 16, 2025 at 01:15 AM

CO

“ *Cynthia Poyser Osborne lit a candle in memory of Leon J. Reeves* ”



Cynthia Poyser Osborne - October 03, 2025 at 01:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leon J. Reeves.* ”



October 01, 2025 at 08:59 AM

TF

“ *Trisha Cox Goins , Phyllis Cox family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Leon J. Reeves.* ”



Trisha Cox Goins , Phyllis Cox family - October 01, 2025 at 07:26 AM

TF

“ Trisha Cox Goins , Phyllis Cox family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leon J. Reeves.

Trisha Cox Goins , Phyllis Cox family - October 01, 2025 at 07:26 AM

BJ

“ Bud, Becky, Grace & Johnny purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Leon J. Reeves.



Bud, Becky, Grace & Johnny - September 30, 2025 at 03:56 PM

JP

“ Joann Luer, Brenda Hare and Andy Pacino purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Leon J. Reeves.



Joann Luer, Brenda Hare and Andy Pacino - September 30, 2025 at 12:30 AM

KP

“ One of my favorite first memories of Uncle Leon (and Aunt Rita) was going to their house for a big Independence Day celebration with the Pezold Family. I also have fond memories of Easter celebrations and of going up to Louisiana and spending the night with Aunt Rita and Uncle Leon. There was always room for another chair at the card table. And watching the ballgames. Uncle Leon, we sure had some good times. I miss you.
Kathy

Kathy Pezold - September 29, 2025 at 06:00 PM

SM

Sorry for your family's loss

Sammy meyers - September 30, 2025 at 12:09 PM

LW

Leon was such a nice person. If he liked you he was a true friend. Lona Wallace

Lona Wallace - September 30, 2025 at 03:14 PM

CA

Leon and Rita were my next door neighbors for several years now.

. I have very fond memories of them both. Wonderful people.. very sorry for your loss.

Cheryl Abrams - September 30, 2025 at 08:41 PM

RD

I have very fond memories of my time spent with Uncle Leon and Aunt Rita; Labor Day weekends spent together, the holidays, the late nights playing cards, the countless overnights, the road trips to Tennessee and Florida, my dad and Uncle Leon bowling together on Friday nights, bowling tournaments...so, so many memories. He will be missed. They will be missed.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sending my thoughts and prayers to all the family.

God bless!

Love, Rosemary/Rosie/Rose

Rose Dougherty - October 01, 2025 at 05:44 PM