



## Thomas L. Preston Sr

November 28, 1932 - January 7, 2022

Mr. Thomas Leonard Preston, 89, went to his heavenly home on Friday, January 7, 2022. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at the Mt. Zion Cemetery near Bowling Green, MO. The Rev. Frank Welch will officiate.

Thomas was born on November 28, 1932 in Clarksville, MO to Mack and Effie Preston. He was married to Martha Louise Shade on November 7, 1953 at the First Baptist Church in Louisiana, MO. She preceded him in death on June 6, 2019.

He is survived by 2 sons, James Preston (Janice) of Frankford, MO, and Andrew Preston (Rita) of Warrenton, MO, a daughter, Cheryl Traynor (Mike) of Koshkonong, MO. Also surviving are his sisters, including Mae, Mary Lou, and Patty, his grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, a few great great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death are his parents, a son Thomas Preston, Jr., grandson, Thomas Preston III, his brothers, Joe, Mack, Benny, Melvin, Pearl, sisters, Leora and Sue, a niece, Judy Preston, and a great granddaughter, Annabelle. Thomas served and retired in the US Air Force. He enjoyed farming, building bridges, and working at Valley Steel. He loved his dogs, especially "Sweet Pea". He also loved hunting, fishing, and gardening.

Thomas was a faithful man who loved the Lord, his family, his church, and missions. He was a dedicated member and Elder at the Peno Baptist Church in Bowling Green, MO. He was lovingly known as "Grandpa Tom" to many.

Every Sunday, he would have a bag of suckers ready for the children's Sunday school class. He loved helping on mission trips, serving at Children's Camp, and the Pike County Christian School.

Memorials may be made to the Penno Baptist Church or the Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences can be sent at [www.collierfuneral.com](http://www.collierfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## **Mt. Zion Cemetery**

20738 Pike 255  
Bowling Green, MO

# Previous Events

## **Graveside Services**

JAN 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Cemetery  
20738 Pike 255  
Bowling Green, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ Thomas L. Preston Sr

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ Thomas L. Preston Sr

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ Tom-Jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas L. Preston Sr



Tom-Jean Dempsey - January 13, 2022 at 02:45 PM



“ He also had another grandson that passed away October 16 2017 Korey Ray Preston

Diane Preston - January 11, 2022 at 08:11 PM



“ Cindy Poyser Osborne lit a candle in memory of Thomas L. Preston Sr



Cindy Poyser Osborne - January 11, 2022 at 07:08 PM

EL

“ *Elenora Lobb lit a candle in memory of  
Thomas L. Preston Sr*



Elenora Lobb - January 11, 2022 at 01:07 PM

EL

*Tom was a great man*

Elenora Lobb - January 11, 2022 at 01:08 PM

RS

“ *So very sorry for your loss.*

*I remember Andrew "Andy" Preston from  
Bowling Green 4th grade.*



Renee Sevier - January 11, 2022 at 10:33 AM

PP

“ *Penny J Pearia lit a candle in memory of  
Thomas L. Preston Sr*



Penny J Pearia - January 10, 2022 at 06:28 PM