



Robert Gene Bevins

December 24, 1932 - December 11, 2019

Robert Gene Bevins, age 86 of Jackson, passed away on Wednesday, December 11th, 2019 at the Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. He was born on December 24th, 1932 in Pike County, Ohio to the late John Bevins and Georgia (O'Bryan) Bevins.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by sisters: Charlene (Jim) Slone and Irene (Harold) Spencer and a sister-in-law, Betty Bevins.

Robert was a long-time resident of Jackson, living here 60 years. He served as an Airman First Class E4 in the United States Air Force during the Korean War from 1952 to 1956. He received the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. His most significant assignment was with the 6983d Mobile Radio Squadron, where he served as a radio intercept operator, while stationed in Anchorage, Alaska.

Upon completing his service time, he came home and hired on at the steel mill in Portsmouth, Ohio. He worked there until the fall semester began at Rio Grande College. He then enrolled there and earned a bachelors degree in education. While at Rio Grande, he met Vivian in classes and they married in March of 1959. Later he earned a master's degree from Ohio University. He began teaching school the fall of 1959 at Centralia in Ross County. After completing two years there, he obtained a position in the Jackson City School

system, first as a teacher, next as assistant principal and then as principal of the Jackson High School.

He was a member of the Jackson Christian Church and served as a deacon. He loved singing the old gospel songs and led the singing for the men's Sunday school class. He was a member of the Jackson Rotary Club and served a term as president.

Robert's greatest personal achievement would be his commitment to his family. He passed on his love of discovery to his children and grandchildren through the places they visited and shared together. It was important to him to cultivate and maintain family ties. He was an avid story teller and enjoyed writing humorous poetry for his grandchildren.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Vivian (Leedy) Bevins; two sons, Mark Anthony Roe Bevins (Kathy) and Brian Bevins (Amy); one daughter, Kristen Bevins Eversole (Phil); a special cousin, who was like a son, Dale Kanouse (Marilyn); brothers, James C. Bevins, Leon (Patricia) Bevins and Walter Bevins; grandchildren, Tyler (Brandy) Bevins, Stephen Bevins, Kaitlin (Tyler) Bevins Jones, Alyse (Danny) Eversole Capaccio, Jacob Eversole, Emily Roe and Elizabeth Roe; and great-grandchildren, Kinley Garnett Jones, Hutson Curtis Jones, Phoebe Perkins and Zoe Perkins.

A funeral service will be held at the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home on Saturday, December 14th at 8PM with Pastor Hannah Niday officiating. Family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5-8PM prior to the service.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home in Jackson.

Condolences may be sent to: www.mayhew-brownfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home
135 Broadway Street
Jackson, OH 45640
(740) 286-4161

Funeral Service

DEC **14.** 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SW

“ Vivian,
So sorry to learn of Bob's passing. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I always enjoyed his funny stories and jokes at the family reunions in Wytheville. Things will be different and he will be missed so much, but find comfort in knowing that you will see him again.
God bless you and keep you; comfort you and give you peace during this difficult time.
Love you,
Susan Wohlford

Susan Wohlford - January 08, 2020 at 12:46 AM

SM

“ Such a wonderful man -he led us well
as we moved from Jr High through jHS. He set high expectations and encouraged us to aim high. I so respected him.
Roger and I are in Washington (and were last week when he passed) I am so sorry we missed seeing the family. I especially would have liked to see Dale Kanouse as I have not seen him since 1966. Prayers to all. 🙏🙏 This world has lost a very, very good person. Sally Jones McNamara
Sallyjmac@aol.com

sally jones mcnamara - December 15, 2019 at 09:09 PM

JS

“ I was so sorry to hear of your loss. Bob was a good man and will be missed by family and community. I have fond memories of our early years together with him as our landlord.

Joan Shasteen - December 15, 2019 at 09:18 AM

TF

“Vivian, please accept our most heartfelt sympathies ...our thoughts are with you, mark, brian and kristen during this difficult time. We will all miss uncle bob. The mckenzie family-jeff ”



The McKenzie Family - December 14, 2019 at 06:47 PM

SH

“ Dear Vivian and family,

My sympathy to you in your loss. My impressions of Mr. Bevins changed so much through the years. As a high school student I was afraid of him. Later, as a student in classes in which he subbed, I was amazed at his humor. Even later, after joining the Christian Church and though I barely know him, I found him to be not scary, but gentle, quiet, sincere, faithful. He told me that one of his favorite hymns was "Nailed to the Cross." I will remember him when I hear that song.

May the Lord be nearer to you than ever before.

Susan Hollback

Susan L. Hollback - December 14, 2019 at 02:17 PM

HB

“ Brian and family...so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. I lost my mother in May of this year so I can appreciate your heartache. You all have always held a special place in our hearts. May God provide the peace and comfort to help you move forward.

Harvey and Jennifer Byerley

byerley.jh72@gmail.com

Harvey Byerley - December 14, 2019 at 12:19 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 09:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 07:26 PM



“ *from Ron and Sonja Eversole purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Our Family Chain Is Broken" for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



from Ron and Sonja Eversole - December 13, 2019 at 07:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 04:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 04:18 PM



“ *I loved Mr. Bevins! When I worked in the office instead of going to study hall he always teased me when a boy got paddled saying “ Don’t you laugh, your next!”*

cindy stewart - December 13, 2019 at 01:21 PM



“ *Mark and Sherryl Haller purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



Mark and Sherryl Haller - December 13, 2019 at 01:20 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 12:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 12:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 13, 2019 at 11:02 AM



“ *Best principal ever! I'm so grateful to have your family in my life....sweet memories! Hugs family!*

becky britt - December 13, 2019 at 08:56 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of the your Fathers passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Jerry, Anita and Girls

Anita J Torbett - December 13, 2019 at 07:43 AM

SC

“ We are very sorry for your loss. We send love and sympathy to all the family.

Randy and Scarlett

Scarlett Coapstick - December 13, 2019 at 07:37 AM

JD

“ I remember Mr. Bevins teaching at Central loved him he was a great teacher and he gave good advice. So sorry or your lose

Joyce Davila Dominicci - December 13, 2019 at 12:31 AM

CL

“ We were so sorry to hear of Mr. Bevins passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family! David and Cindy Loomis

Cindy Loomis - December 12, 2019 at 10:48 PM

BM

“ Brian and family I am sorry of the passing of your dear dad. I remember the many trips made to Martindale. You all will be in my prayers. Love you guys

Becky Barnes Miller

Becky Barnes Miller - December 12, 2019 at 10:37 PM

SB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. He was a good person and such fun to work with.

Sharon Brotherton - December 12, 2019 at 09:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Gene Bevins.*



December 12, 2019 at 07:51 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I am so happy I got to know him. He always made me laugh.*



Robin Ross Greene - December 12, 2019 at 07:39 PM



“ *Brian and Amy. I'm so sorry about your dad. He was a wonderful man. I really loved him. I loved when he came to visit. I will keep you in my thoughts. Love you both very much. Aileen*

Aileen Herron - December 12, 2019 at 06:23 PM



“ *Vivian and Family,
We send our deepest sympathy and love to you and your family. We remember Bob with the fondest of memories. We pray for your comfort and peace!
David and Carol Downton*

Carol Downton - December 12, 2019 at 05:46 PM

JD

“ I realize it was Bobby’s time to go. That doesn’t make it hurt any less. He was a favorite person of mine. I loved his sense of humor. So many memories of laughter. Love and hugs to Vivian and family.

Judy Daniel - December 12, 2019 at 05:40 PM

SS

“ great teacher he was one of mine in school. great man will be missed prayers for his family and friends

sondra sheward - December 12, 2019 at 05:25 PM

GD

“ Some of my best memories of Uncle Bobby are the stories that he could tell and his incredible sense of humor. Always a laugh and a smile! Love and thoughts for the family, Gretchen

Gretchen Dodd - December 12, 2019 at 05:20 PM

GB

“ Uncle Bobby, I always enjoyed spending summers with you when I was younger. You will be missed and I will always cherish the times together.
Love Gwen

Gwen Beeler - December 12, 2019 at 05:01 PM

JF

“ He was always my favorite substitute teacher when I was a student at Kinnison Elementary; a wonderful man!

Johnathon Finch - December 12, 2019 at 04:06 PM

DL

“ *Condolences to all the family. Mr. Bevins was a good man and role model for the students of JHS. He always treated everyone with respect.*

Don Lanhart - December 12, 2019 at 02:54 PM

CB

Mr. Bevins was one of my favorite teachers at JHS. He had a way to make the class fun and interesting. He was a great teacher. (RIP) My condolences to Vivian and the family.

Carl Barnett - December 12, 2019 at 03:49 PM

CP

So many memories come back to me of him at JHS. An iconic teacher and principal. Rest in Peace.

Chuck Phillips - December 12, 2019 at 07:13 PM

CR

My deepest condolences for Vivian and family. I have many fond memories of Bob and Vivian at the Christian Church when I attended with my mom Eileen. Rest in Heaven.

Charlene Radcliff - December 12, 2019 at 08:19 PM

SM

My thoughts and prayers are with all - such great memories of his singing growing up with Kristen at the house and his days as the principal. Rest In Peace.

Stefanie Morrow - December 12, 2019 at 10:15 PM