



## Harold D. Boyd

September 29, 1934 - May 23, 2024

Harold D. Boyd, 89, of Mt. Vernon, went to be with the Lord at 9:00 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2024, at Nature Trail Health Care Center, in Mt. Vernon. He was born September 29, 1934, in Union County, the son of Orin D. and Nina (McLane) Boyd. He married Diana Morris on August 23, 1969, and she survives.

Harold worked with his family on the J.J. Boyd and Sons fruit farm, near Jonesboro, through high school. He was a 1957 graduate of Southern Illinois University, and served in the United States Army from 1957-1959, as a Nike Missile Internal Guidance repairman, at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. Following military service, he worked as a tool design engineer for Sangamo Electric Company in Marion, and plant engineer at Uniroyal and American Latex Corporation, both in Indiana. He was also Vice President and part owner of Venetian Marble Company, of Olathe, Kansas, and maintenance director of Nature Trail Nursing Home in Mt. Vernon. He also worked many years in the electrical wholesale business in and around Mt. Vernon.

He had many hobbies, but spent most of his spare time helping others, fishing with his wife, and wood carving. He loved his family and the Lord. When he worked in Indiana, he helped start Calvary Baptist Church, where he served as deacon and Sunday school teacher. At the time of his death, he was a member of Park Avenue Baptist Church and taught an adult Sunday school class.

In addition to his wife, Diana Boyd, he is survived by one daughter, Lori Boyd

of Dix; son, John Boyd of Dix; and one sister, Anita Ord of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother-in-law, Charles Ord.

Funeral services for Mr. Boyd will be held at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at Osborn Funeral Home in Dix, with Bob Burton officiating. Visitation will be held Tuesday, May 28, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. until the hour of service, at the funeral home. A graveside funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Control or Park Avenue Baptist Church, and will be accepted by mail to the Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, Illinois 62830. Online condolences may be made at [www.osbornfuneral.com](http://www.osbornfuneral.com), or on the Osborn Funeral Home Facebook page.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 28.** 4:00 PM (CT)

Osborn Funeral Home  
322 North Main Street  
Dix, IL 62830  
(618) 266-7231  
office@osbornfuneral.com  
<https://www.osbornfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

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## Graveside Funeral Service

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MAY **29**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Pleasant Hill Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall

VA

“ JB I'm so sorry for you & your families loss. Keeping all of you in my thoughts & prayers.  
Val



Val - June 11, 2024 at 11:35 AM

DM

“ Every time i saw him with his wife-there was no doubt how much they loved each other. It was like the first day the fell in love everyday. My deepest sympathies to Dianne, Lori and John.

Dean Marlow

dean marlow - May 29, 2024 at 12:06 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold D. Boyd.



May 28, 2024 at 11:31 AM

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“ I remember him as such a tender hearted man. My prayers go out to Diana, Lori and John for peace and comfort during this time. Heaven welcomed another saint.

Sheila "True" Tackitt - May 28, 2024 at 06:34 AM



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May 27, 2024 at 09:09 PM