

David Harlin St. John was born to David St. John and Mabel (Fisher) St. John on February 6, 1936 in Hartville, Missouri and passed away on Friday, March 23, 2007 at his home south of Golden City, Missouri at the age of 71 years, 1 month and 17 days.

At the age of 9 Harlin received Jesus Christ as his Saviour. Later that same year, Harlin and his parents began a series of moves that would take them first to Bolivar, Missouri and then to the towns of Urbana, South Greenfield, Schell City and finally to Golden City in 1952. It is here that Harlin attended high school for his junior and

senior years, and where he also met his future wife, Lois Newman.

After graduating from high school in the spring of 1954, Harlin went on to Southwest Baptist college at Bolivar for one year. He later attended Draughn's Business College in Springfield.

On June 14, 1958, Harlin married his high school sweetheart, Lois Ilene Newman at the First Baptist Church in Golden City. To this union were born two sons; Kevin and Royce.

In 1963 he began his farming career while working for his father-in-law, Ernest Newman, and later would purchase part of this land that he and his wife Lois would call home for the next 43 years.

In 1973, **Harlin** began driving a school bus for the Golden City R-III School District. This is a job that he would hold for thirty-one years.

Harlin was well-known for his mechanical skills and did work for several friends and neighbors ranging from engine overhauls to general repairs primarily during farming's off-season.

Harlin was a member of the First Baptist Church of Golden City where he served as song leader, as a trustee and in many other capacities as needed. In 1988 he was ordained as a deacon by the church. He faithfully served this position until the time of his death.

Harlin enjoyed singing whether it was with his sons, at the request of others, or when in the family living room while gathered around the piano with his sons and grandsons accompanied by his wife Lois. He also enjoyed eating at Chicken Mary's and barbecuing hamburgers for his family. He enjoyed spending time with his three grandsons whether it be taking them on four-wheeler rides, shooting off fireworks or having them ride with him while he worked in the field.

Harlin is survived by his wife Lois of the home, his mother Mabel St. John of Golden City, two sons Kevin of rural Golden City and Royce and his wife Sherry of rural Golden City, three grandsons Caleb, Casey and Cody; several nieces, nephews and cousins and a host of friends. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

In Memory of

HARLIN ST. JOHN

BORN

February 6, 1936 Hartville, Missouri DIED

March 23, 2007 Golden City, Missouri

Age: 71 years 1 n

1 month 17 days

FUNERAL SERVICES

Tuesday, March 27, 2007 2:00 p.m. First Baptist Church, Golden City, MO

OFFICIATING

Bro. Arthur "Bud" Rogers Bro. Tom Welch

MUSIC

White Family, Vocalists Lenora Moody, Organist

CASKET BEARERS

Jerry Banta Charles Brinkhoff Nathan Cawyer Mitch Davis Gary Kaufman Stanley Parker

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

J.D. Cantrell Jim Carpenter David Chappell Scott Foos Harold Keatts Glen O'Dell Delbert Stump

INTERMENT Dudenville Cemetery South of Golden City, MO

Memorials may be given to the First Baptist Church of Golden City