



Charles Russell "Russ" McDonald

September 27, 1921 - December 27, 2018

Charles Russell "Russ" McDonald, passed away on December 27, 2018, at the age of 97.

Russ was born September 27, 1921 in Busby, Kansas to Don and Cleora (Lanning) McDonald. He married Barbara Smith on December 1, 1938. As a young couple, they operated the Cream Station in Longton, Kansas.

At the beginning of World War II, Russ went to work at the ordinance plant in Parson, Kansas and remained there for the duration of the war. He then started a long career in the propane gas business with positions in Elk Falls, KS, Wichita, KS, and Yates Center, KS. He was later employed by Union Gas as District Manager for the Northeast Oklahoma area, residing in Grove, Oklahoma. He retired in 1986 and he and Barbara made their home in Howard, Kansas.

Russ loved to hunt and fish and made several trips to Minnesota and Canada on exciting fishing expeditions. In later years, he liked to fish in the Moline and Howard lakes. Branson, Missouri was one of his favorite vacation destinations, where he would fish for trout and take in the music shows. Russ was an avid gardener and spent many hours growing various kinds of vegetables.

Russ was preceded in death by his beloved wife, parents, brothers Alwyn, Donald and Fred, sister Doris, and great grandson Bobby.

He is survived by sons: Bob (Carolyn), and Jim (Janet)

5 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren, and 4 nieces.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00 pm, on Thursday, January 3, 2018, at the Longton City Cemetery, Longton, Kansas.

Memorial contributions in Russ's name are suggested to the Hope Lodge #155 A.F. & A.M in Howard, KS and can be left with or mailed to the funeral home.

Online condolences can be left at www.countrysidefh.com

Services have been entrusted to:

Countryside Funeral Home, 206 E. Washington – P.O. Box 1233, Howard, KS 67349

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Longton Cemetery
off of Road 26
Longton, KS 67352