



## David R. Reed

April 6, 1936 - February 7, 2015

David R. Reed passed away at home early Saturday morning, February 7, 2015. David was born April 6, 1936 in St. John, Kansas to Jesse T. & Alma (Gailey) Reed. They moved to High Prairie Community, then to Fredonia, where David graduated from Fredonia High School in 1954.

On December 24, 1955, David married Betty Hall at the Church of the Brethren in Fredonia. They had three children, Debra Shinkle & husband Bobby, Jeffrey Reed & wife Julie, all of Fredonia, and Jon Reed, of Osage City, Kansas. They have 11 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren: Jaran & Rachael Shinkle (Maisy), Jorlan & Kate Shinkle (Piper & Hadley), Jenessa & Matt Kleopfer (Kamden & Kennedy), all of Fredonia, and Justan & Shelby Shinkle (Joslyn & Finnigan) of Wichita; Jessica Reed (Logan) of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Jenna Reed, Jade Reed, and Jared Reed of Fredonia; Savanna Smith (Tristan) of Topeka, and Sabrina Reed and Stetson Reed of Topeka. He is also survived by five brothers: Joe, Jack & Wanda, Don & Debby, Ron & Sherry, and Jess Jr. & Karen. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Bob.

Following high school David traveled the harvest then enlisted in the Army in August, 1954. He received an honorable discharge due to an injury, in January, 1955. He then went to work in the Fredonia Engineering Division of the Kansas Department of Transportation and transferred to the Altoona

Maintenance Department after the Fredonia Division closed. He retired in 1996 after 35 years with KDOT. David graduated from Missouri Auction School in 1966 and started auctioneering shortly thereafter. David and Betty operated Reed Auction Service from the early 1970s through 2009.

David was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Old Iron Club. David was active with the Wilson County Fair Association and 4-H Clubs, where he helped auctioneer the 4-H Livestock Sale for 40 years. David had a passion for the outdoors, farming, and cattle, but his greatest love was for his family. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather ("Papa Dave").

David will be cremated and memorial services will be held Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at Countryside Funeral Home, with family visitation Tuesday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Suggested memorials can be made to Wilson County Fair Association, Wilson County Old Iron Club, Wilson County 4-H Council, or other local charity, and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online Condolences can be made at: [www.countrysidefh.com](http://www.countrysidefh.com). The cry of the auctioneer has ended, but his chant will ever be remembered.

Services entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 420 S. 20th St., P.O. Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **10.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Fredonia  
420 S. 20th St.  
P.O. Box 247  
Fredonia, KS 66736  
(620) 378-2882

## Memorial Service

FEB **11.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Fredonia  
420 S. 20th St.  
P.O. Box 247  
Fredonia, KS 66736  
(620) 378-2882

# Tribute Wall

AM

“ *Anita Martin lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**anita martin** - February 12, 2015 at 05:43 PM

LL

“ *Jon, (and the Reed family)*

*May the blessings of love be upon you*

*May its peace abide with you*

*May its essence illuminate your heart*

*Now and forever more.*

*You are in my thoughts and prayers,*

*Lisa (White) Lundy*



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**Lisa (White) Lundy** - February 11, 2015 at 09:01 AM

BH

“ *I was sad to hear of the passing of Dave. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Becky Hendrickson** - February 10, 2015 at 10:35 PM

LB

“ *Lacey Barton lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**Lacey Barton** - February 10, 2015 at 06:09 PM

CH

“ *Cherokee lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**Cherokee** - February 10, 2015 at 04:50 PM

JR

“ *Jake & Carolyn Ratzlaff lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**Jake & Carolyn Ratzlaff** - February 10, 2015 at 12:55 PM

HP

“ To Betty & Family,  
We were sorry to hear of Dave's passing. We always enjoyed attending his auctions when we lived there and always tried to be at any of his auctions when we were in town.  
He helped to cause us to have an addiction to sales!!  
Please know you and the family will be in our thoughts and prayers.  
May God bless all of you during this time.

Sincerely,  
Harriet & Dewayne Powell  
Amarillo, TX

P.S. Please tell Jess & Karen hello for us.

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Harriet & Dewayne Powell - February 10, 2015 at 12:09 PM

KJ

“ To Davids family.....He was always so friendly and went out of his way to make us feel "like family"... We will miss him but he doesnt have to struggle anymore..And we know the Lord had a 'lot of cows' that needed someone to watch over them!! So, he has another job now.....with sincere sympathy Chuck and Karen James  
Fredonia/Wichita.

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karen james - February 10, 2015 at 11:03 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David R. Reed.



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February 10, 2015 at 09:22 AM

HA

“ *He will be missed. He was a character.* ”



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**Hassie** - February 09, 2015 at 07:31 PM

MS

“ *Marlene Shinkle lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed* ”



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**Marlene Shinkle** - February 09, 2015 at 05:40 PM

MS

*My thoughts and prayers are with Betty and her whole family. He was a very special guy.*

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**Marlene Shinkle** - February 09, 2015 at 05:42 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Chism lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed* ”



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**Lisa Chism** - February 09, 2015 at 04:46 PM

GS

“ Our condolences to your family! David was a very special man! We were honored to know him!

*Jeff, Gayle, Jaden, Mercedes Schmidt  
E.H. (Shorty) McCarter*



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**Gayle Schmidt** - February 09, 2015 at 02:08 PM

NP

“ *Natalie Puckett lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**Natalie Puckett** - February 09, 2015 at 01:34 PM

MC

“ *Marci Casteel lit a candle in memory of David R. Reed*



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**Marci Casteel** - February 09, 2015 at 12:35 PM