



Robert McGrew

September 20, 1934 - January 6, 2022

Robert was born in McDonough County near Walnut Grove, Illinois to J. Miles McGrew and Maribel Waters McGrew on September 20, 1934. For seven years he attended a country school – the Pittenger School. The school was consolidated with Prairie City and in his senior year Prairie City was consolidated with Bushnell. He graduated from Bushnell-Prairie City in 1952. He attended Western Illinois University for two years and then enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He served four years. Upon being discharged as a Sergeant, he enrolled in Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. There he met Barbara Hankey, a summer school student and elementary school teacher from Gettysburg. They were married in Gettysburg, PA on June 17, 1961. Bob completed his degree at Greenville University in 1962 and completed a Master's degree at Middle Tennessee University in 1968.

Bob taught science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and other courses) for 6 years in Illinois and 19 years at Nebraska Christian Schools in Central City, Nebraska. He worked as a project manager for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for nine years. He retired December 31, 1999. After he retired he worked part-time for the McGrew Brothers in planting and harvesting crops.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, J. Miles and Maribel McGrew; siblings James McGrew, Richard McGrew, and Ronald McGrew; and great-grandchildren Louisa Schriever and Willow Goodsell.

Bob is survived by his wife, Barbara McGrew; children Faith Bontrager, Hope

Golden (Rob), Daniel (Karla), and Nola Joy Compton (Dan); 12 grandchildren, Josiah Bontrager (Ariel), Annette Halsey (Dan), Stephanie Goelz (Kelly), Melody Powell (Paul), Jon Golden, Rebecca Golden, Chanda Goodsell (Nick), Ellen Schriever (Joshua), Shance McGrew, Grace Compton, Catherine Compton, and Lily Compton; and 10 great-grandchildren, (Halsey) Clara, Lydia, Daniel, John, (Goelz) Bianca and Ruby, (Goodsell) Katie, Wyatt, Weston, and Sybil Schriever.

Robert was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather who always had an open lap for reading books and rocking little ones. He loved his Lord and wanted everyone to know the Savior.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM at Hurley Funeral Home, 603 E. Chestnut St. Mason City, City, IL 62664. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Bushnell Recreation & Cultural Center, 300 Miller St. Bushnell, IL. 61422 with an additional hour of visitation from 10:00 AM until service time with Pastor Steve Ohl officiating. Burial to follow at Bushnell Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Greenview First Baptist Church or Samaritans Purse. Online condolences can be left at www.hurleyfuneralhome.com. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Bushnell Cemetery

N. 1850th Road
Bushnell, IL 61422

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

Hurley Funeral Home - Mason City
603 East Chestnut
Mason City, IL 62664
(217) 482-5959
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

JAN 12. 11:00 AM (cst)

Bushnell Recreation & Cultural Center
300 Miller Stt
Bushnell, IL 61422

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert McGrew*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Scott Barnes purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Robert McGrew.*



Scott Barnes - January 10, 2022 at 11:11 PM



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



January 10, 2022 at 05:52 PM



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



January 10, 2022 at 12:30 PM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert McGrew*



Larry and Mary Hundt - January 09, 2022 at 08:09 AM

JE

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. God bless you and your family. Janine Euker*

Janine Euker - January 08, 2022 at 08:00 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert McGrew.*



January 08, 2022 at 07:56 PM

VB

“ *Vickie Bagby lit a candle in memory of Robert McGrew*



Vickie Bagby - January 08, 2022 at 07:09 PM