



## Jack Addison Reese Jr.

January 22, 1937 - October 1, 2024

Jack Addison Reese, Jr. of Arcadia, MO, entered into Heaven on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, with his loved ones by his side at the age of 87 years, 8 months, and 10 days. He was born January 22, 1937, in St. Louis, MO, a son of the late Jack Addison, Sr. and Alice Mabel (Propst) Reese.

On April 5, 1958, Jack was united in marriage to Evelyn Ramona "Mona" Sutton who preceded him in rest on January 22, 2015. To this union three daughters were born, Alisa Cowsert and husband Tom, Janet Duncan and husband Brett, and Jill Goldsmith and husband Jimi, all of whom survive. Also surviving are five grandchildren, Bryon, Larissa, Elliott, Skyler, and Faith; four great-grandchildren, Preston, Parker, Olivia, and Ellison; two sisters, Barbara Adams and husband Dean, and Judith Draper and husband Bill, a sister-in-law Wanda Reese, two brothers-in-law Larry Sutton and wife Cindy, Mark Sutton and wife Sheree, his special friend and devoted companion Alma Rice. and many more loving family members and friends.

Jack is preceded in rest by his parents, his wife Mona, a brother Jon Reese and Jon's first wife Cynthia, and a brother-in-law Fred Sutton and Fred's wife Nelda.

Jack lived in Annapolis, Missouri in his youth and took great pride in that small town. He told many stories of his upbringing with his siblings. After moving to the big town of Ironton, Missouri, he excelled in basketball where he was

given the nickname “Jumping Jack” and later continued playing for the United States Navy while stationed in Hawaii. After graduating in 1955, he went to Mizzou before traveling to Oregon to fight forest fires. Upon returning, he married Evelyn Ramona Sutton in 1958. After his service, he embarked on a journey through many jobs, each one adding to the rich tapestry of experiences that he loved to share stories about.

Eventually, he found his true calling as an insurance salesman as the owner of Reese Insurance Group, LLC. He built a long and successful career providing insurance products to banks all over Missouri. He was well respected and admired by his colleagues and clients, many becoming life-long friends. He continued his salesmanship after his retirement by peddling his renowned smoked meats and cheeses, chocolate chip cookies, and taco soup. Customers always got a laugh or smile as a bonus.

He contributed to the community by serving as President of Chamber of Commerce and 33rd Degree Mason in the Hopewell Masonic Lodge of Lesterville. He accepted Jesus as his Lord and Saviour in 1948 and became a member of the First Baptist Church of Ironton, Missouri. Jack and his devoted companion, Alma enjoyed getting together with the Class of ‘55ers, being a part of Pickin’ on the Square, and sitting around a campfire at the wedge.

His life was a testament to the power of hard work, the joy of a good story, and the importance of family. Jack will be deeply missed by all who were blessed to know and love him, but his spirit will live on in the stories he told and the laughter he shared.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024, beginning at 11:00 am from the Cole Family Chapel.

Visitation for friends and family to gather will be held on Friday, October 4, 2024, beginning at 5:00 pm and lasting until 8:00 pm, and then resuming Saturday morning beginning at 10:00 am and lasting until service time at 11:00 am from the Cole Family Chapel.

Interment will follow the services with full Military Honors in the Arcadia Valley Memorial Park in Ironton, MO.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 4. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home  
210 E Reynolds St  
Ironton, MO 63650  
(573) 546-0742

## Visitation

OCT 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Celebration of Life

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 59 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Cole Family Funeral Home** - October 04, 2024 at 05:57 PM



“ *Your West County School Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jack Addison Reese Jr..*



**Your West County School Family** - October 04, 2024 at 11:13 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack Addison Reese Jr..*



October 03, 2024 at 08:56 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack Addison Reese Jr..*



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October 03, 2024 at 02:46 PM



“ *Jack was my buddy. He would come by the shop when he needed something vehicle wise, when he had smoked meats, & sometimes just to visit. We will all miss him. Thoughts and prayers to the entire Reese family.*

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**Brad Wooten** - October 03, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ *My wife is Alma Rice's neice. We live in Soutgate Michigan. We know Ironton, Roselle area very well. My wife has been visiting Missouri for 73 years and 51 years for me. We met Jack a few times at the Diner with Aunt Alma for lunch. We are very sorry for your loss. God Bless*

*Charles and Linda (Rice McCallum) SansCrainte*

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**Charles H Sanscrainte** - October 03, 2024 at 10:38 AM

AB

“ I have known Jack my whole life from the time I was a little girl at uncle Bobs station and Jack stopped by to visit and aggravate to the his last days of selling his favorite smoked meats



My favorite was when he brought me Peanut M&M as his trademark to selling insurance throughout my banking career

As time passed he never forgot a face and was always the entertainment wherever he may be.

He loved to visit his banks and colleagues up until his last days even if just by phone.

I admire the way he took care of his loving wife Mona in her last trying years of life.

I will always look up to you Jack and you will Hold a special place in my heart along with your family

Love and prayers for you all

Allison Boyer and family

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**Allison Boyer** - October 03, 2024 at 08:01 AM

KW

“ Jack would come in to Brad's shop peddling his good meats & such. We loved buying what he had smoked. I always enjoyed our visit □ Our heartfelt sympathy & prayers to Jack's family 🙏



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**Kenny & Sue Wooten** - October 02, 2024 at 02:55 PM

CT

“ Charles and Evon Turner lit a candle in memory of Jack Reese



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**Charles and Evon Turner** - October 02, 2024 at 01:58 PM

RO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family❤️

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**Ronnie** - October 02, 2024 at 12:48 PM