



Harry E. Guth

September 30, 1924 - January 19, 2015

Harry E. Guth, 90, died January 19, 2015 in his hometown of Perryville, MO.

He was born September 30, 1924 in Perryville, MO, to Harry E. Guth Sr. and Ora (Nelson) Guth.

Harry graduated from Perryville High School in 1942. While in high school, he excelled in track and football; he subsequently brought those talents to SEMO where he played the position of quarterback of the football team. After one year of college, he answered the call of duty and served in the army during WWII.

After serving his country, he attended the University of Missouri-Columbia. He excelled as a track star, known as one of the fastest runners in the country. He held several track records, many of which went unbroken until Mel Gray broke them in the late 1960's. He graduated from the University of Missouri with a degree from the school of Journalism.

He moved to Perryville where he joined his father, Harry Guth Sr., in running the Perry County Republican. He met the love of his life, Barbara Sietz, or as he lovingly called her, "Kizzy" in 1949 and married in 1950. They were blessed with four children.

Harry is survived by two daughters, Vicki Guth of St. Louis, MO, Marlene and her husband Lee Lottes of St. Louis; one son Marc and his wife Andrea Guth of Malibu, CA; four grandchildren, Jean Ahsmuhs, Elizabeth O'Hanlon, Nicholas Guth, Beckett Guth; and one great-grandchild, Rori O'Hanlon. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Barbara; and one daughter,

Beverly.

Harry was a gifted writer and was awarded several literary honors during his career as the newspaper editor. He served his community reporting accurately and fairly, at times with great wit, other times with great poignancy. He also bestowed his wit and insight on his family with a treasure-hold of poems and other writings.

His athletic accomplishments did not stop in college. He was a master of the tennis match, with his unstoppable “snot ball.” He even went on to compete in the Senior Olympics, winning numerous events throughout the years. At the age of 70 he had the skill and drive to obtain his pro golf teaching license, so that he could share his love of the game with others.

His life was a life well lived; he was loved deeply and he will be missed by all.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 22 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm and on Friday, January 23 from 6:30 – 9:30 am at Young & Sons Funeral Home. He will then be taken to First Presbyterian Church for service at 11:00 am with Rev. Nancy Gillard officiating. Burial in Home Cemetery. Military honors provided by American Legion Post 133 and Delta Team.

Memorials are preferred to First Presbyterian Church or St. Jude Children’s Hospital.

Young & Sons Funeral Home, Inc. in Perryville, MO provided the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Harry E. Guth*

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Harry E. Guth*

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.
Independence Care Center of Perry County!*

Nancy Schmidt - February 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our sympathy to the family of Harry Guth. He will be remembered
as a kind & gentle man with a sparkle in his eye. May God keep you
in his loving arms at this time.*

Joe & Jan Van Camp - January 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family of Harry. Harry was a friend of
my Dad's back in earlier years. After my Dad passed away, I kept a
friendship with Harry through golf. In fact, I found a golf school for
him to attend and be certified as an instructor. He was the finest
man I've ever met.*

Daniel & Marla Cowell - January 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Vicki, Marlene, Marc, and family, We know how your hearts are aching with the passing of your father and grandfather. Part of our parents' legacy is that we are blessed to be part of the Christian family. We know that our fathers and mothers are in heaven with Jesus. The Saturday golfing partners of Robert Heflin, Pete Thompson, and Harold Weber probably welcomed Harry to heaven. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Harold Weber's son and daughter-in-law, Brad and Rita Weber

Perryville, Missouri

January 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ May the Lord Comfort and Surround you all with His Love.

Bill and Carole Renaud - January 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to the family. Mr. Guth and his wife were always very kind to me when we were neighbors in Perryville. We may have tried his patience as the kids next-door, but I don't ever remember him being anything other than kind.

January 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *May he rest in peace! Such a nice man! His attributes live on in all of you!*

Mary Winkler - January 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM