



Wayne "Duke" DuBois

April 15, 1940 - January 7, 2026

Wayne "Duke" DuBois, 85, of Perryville, Missouri peacefully passed away Wednesday, January 7, 2026 surrounded by loved ones at Independence Care Center.

Duke was born April 15, 1940 in Perryville, MO to the late Leo and Mary (Weber) DuBois.

He and Alvera Schuessler were married April 18, 1964 at Church of the Assumption in Perryville, MO.

Duke graduated from St. Vincent High School in 1959. After high school, he enlisted in the Air Force and served for 4 years.

He worked at Auto Tire and Parts for over 40 years until he retired in 2002. Once he retired, he drove cars for Jays Auto Sales. If he wasn't driving cars, you could find him hanging out at Conoco gas station talking to whoever walked in the door. Duke never met a stranger. If you were in his presence, you were automatically going to get talked to.

Duke was president and CEO of the Lucky Duck Club where many friends gathered at his house each Sunday during football season to watch the St. Louis Cardinals and he prepared his famous SOS.

He was well known for coaching and umpiring ball games. On Friday nights you'd find him on the sidelines of a football field carrying chains. As Duke got older his love for sports continued, but in a new way by cheering on and supporting our local sports teams.

He enjoyed hunting, watching westerns, telling jokes, old time country music, and his furry companion, Bo. He was well known for his sense of humor, his love for sports, especially the St. Louis Blues. There was never a dull moment with him. The one thing he treasured most is his granddaughters and great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife Alvera of nearly 62 years, he is survived by, daughter, Kim (Wes) Pruett and son, Keith (Robbie Ritch) DuBois; granddaughters, Kaitlyn (Jake) Wibbenmeyer, Haley (Bryce) Weibrecht, Nicole (John) Spencer, Macy Pruett; great-grandchildren, Norah, Caden & Lainey Wibbenmeyer, Quinton & Emmy Weibrecht.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Chalmer DuBois, Wilmer DuBois; two sisters, Vivian Huber, Janet Moore.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at Ford & Young Funeral Home in Perryville and will continue from 7:00 am to 9:15 am on Friday, January 16, 2026 at the funeral home.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 am Friday, January 16, 2026 at Christ the Savior Catholic Church in Brewer with Rev. Joe Geders C.M. officiating.

Burial will be at Christ the Savior Catholic Cemetery in Brewer.

Memorial contributions may be given to Journey Hospice, St. Vincent Schools

or Christ the Savior Church.

Family would like to give a special thank you to the team at Journey Hospice for their support and compassion they provided to the family.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Christ the Savior Catholic Cemetery

C/O Steve Wengert
168 PCR 828
Perryville, MO 63775

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S. West St.
Perryville, MO 63775

Visitation

JAN 16. 7:00 AM - 9:15 AM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S West Street
Perryville, MO 63775

Funeral Mass

JAN 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ the Savior Catholic Church
55 Shady Lane
Brewer, MO

Tribute Wall

YN

“ Your friends at Auto Tire & Parts NAPA purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Wayne "Duke" DuBois.



Your friends at Auto Tire & Parts NAPA - January 13 at 09:48 AM

AD

“ Uncle Wayne, I have a couple of things I want to share. Before I was transferred to Chicago in 1972, Wayne and I would go rabbit hunting on Saturday's. This one particular Saturday it was colder than usual but we went out anyway. After an hour or so the dogs feet got so cold they were having trouble walking. We carried them back to the car. I'm sure they were happy to be off their feet and warm up. Many stories I'll keep in my mind and will keep them until we meet again and talk about "remember when". I understand God built a very large room for you so you would have a room to tell your stories. As you know by now, you have been entertaining so many people God has had to increase the room size three times. The next story is one that makes me chuckle. If I were to stop by and the Cardinals were playing there's no doubt Wayne was watching the game. The humor is he would turn the tv volume down and turn on a radio to listen to the game. He loved to listen to Harry Carey announce the game's. Alvera you should be a saint for all the years you let him watch his sports.

Alvin DuBois

Alvin DuBois - January 13 at 02:17 AM

PH

A beautiful tribute and well said Alvin!

Pat Huber - January 14 at 09:02 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wayne "Duke" DuBois.*



January 12 at 11:21 AM

SK

“ *I remember Duke as an umpire in the Little League games in the early 1970s, he had command of the game. So much so that a lady was getting out of hand in the bleachers with her verbal remarks. He stopped the game told her to leave and restarted the game after 10 minutes. Left a lasting impression on this 10-year-old years ago. What a great guy he was. Rest in peace Duke.*

Steven Kueker - January 10 at 02:51 PM

RW

“ *Alvera, Kim, Keith, and family my prayers for you as you begin this new life chapter. I can imagine the heavenly reunion of Wayne with Brad, and his father, Harold, and with other members of the Weber and DuBois families. The joy they must be experiencing! I treasure our times together, especially after Brad's passing. I know you value the lifetime of memories shared with Wayne, your husband, father, and grandfather. God's peace, Rita Weber*

Rita Weber - January 10 at 12:45 AM

RW

Wayne's obituary is beautifully written. It's perfect!

Rita Weber - January 11 at 07:43 PM

FT

“ From The Hipbone Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne "Duke" DuBois.

From The Hipbone Team - January 09 at 02:21 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wayne "Duke" DuBois.



January 09 at 02:21 PM

BC

“ Rest in Peace "Duke"! Prayers for his family!!

Bob Paulus. Former Classmate! - January 09 at 12:40 PM

KD

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. Duke was quite the character. I was always worried when he was at Bobs shop when I walked in. He always had something to say. He always made us laugh. May God be with you



kathy dillahay - January 09 at 09:22 AM

LF

Alvera, my sympathy to you and your family. May God grant you comfort and His peace. Luella Franke

Luella Franke - January 09 at 07:50 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Wayne "Duke" DuBois.*



January 09 at 08:50 AM

MI

“ *I am Wayne's cousin his father & my father were brothers, I remember him when he was a little boy & when my mom & dad stayed at their house & hadn't seen him again until we had a DuBois family reunion here in St. Charles MO, that was over 7 or 8 years ago. I am so sorry to hear about his death from Terry, Wayne's brother Wilmer daughter. My prayers for hus wife & family.*

Mary Ann (DuBois) Isbell - January 08 at 07:24 PM

FA

“ *Alvera, Kim and your families, you have my deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one. Wayne. May he rest in peace in the arms of Our Lord. I remember him in grade school. I believe he is on my kindergarten picture from St. Boniface in 1945. Keep all of your memories of him and his love for SV.*



Faye Amschler - January 08 at 05:40 PM

BS

“ I was a SVHS classmate of Wayne. Always remember his command of the room & his fun-living spirit. His wife, Alvera, was a classmate of my late husband, Gary, and his daughter, Kim, classmate of our daughter, Jan, so we definitely had a connection. Condolences to the family and prayers.

Betty (Buchheit) Statler - January 08 at 04:40 PM