



CSM (Ret.) David Carmody Lay

September 5, 1932 - June 29, 2026

CSM (Ret.) David Carmody Lay, age 93, of Waynesville, MO, passed away Monday, June 29, 2026, at Osage Beach Rehabilitation, in Osage Beach, MO.

Graveside Services with Full Military Honors will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2026, in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Waynesville, under the care and direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert

Visitation will be held Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. in Memorial Chapel.

He is survived by his wife, Tae Sun Lay of the home in Waynesville, MO; four children,

David Lay (Pam) of Columbia, MO, Karen Talley of Warrensburg, MO, June Bales (J.D.) of Waynesville, MO, and Brenda Stanton (Shawn Perry) of Waynesville, MO; eight grandchildren, Steve Lay (Jamie) of Lafayette, CO, Greg Lay of Fort Worth, TX, Angie Fritsch (Dustin) of Warrensburg, MO, Lauren Jackson (Justin) of Columbia, MO, Courtney Bales (Halley) of Springfield, MO, Jared Bales (Chrissy) of Fair Play, MO, Matthew Stanton of Lebanon, MO, Cheyenne Stanton of Richland, MO, six great-grandchildren, Mason, Kadence, Larabee, Dean, Max and Josie; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Memorial Contributions in memory of David Lay can be made to the Salvation Army, Waynesville Senior Center, or the Waynesville Animal Shelter, and contributions may be left at Memorial Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H
Waynesville, MO 65583

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
Waynesville, MO 65583
(573) 774-6111
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

Graveside Service with Full Military Honors

JUL 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

Missouri Veterans Cemetery, FLW
25350 Hwy H
Waynesville, MO

Tribute Wall

DL

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



David M Lay - July 07 at 08:34 AM

JB

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



June Bales - July 05 at 11:45 PM

BS

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Brenda Stanton - July 04 at 06:46 PM

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“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Brenda Stanton - July 04 at 06:26 PM

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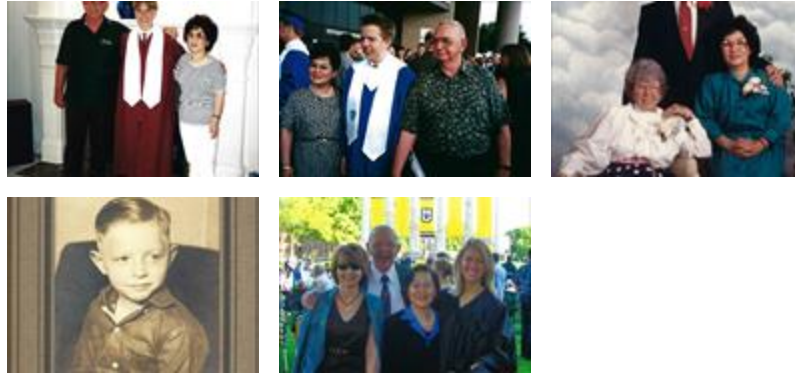
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Brenda Stanton - July 02 at 11:54 PM

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Brenda Stanton - July 02 at 11:42 PM

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Brenda Stanton - July 02 at 11:31 PM

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David M Lay - July 02 at 05:14 PM

MS

“ Marge Scott sent a virtual gift in memory of David Lay



Marge Scott - July 01 at 09:18 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of CSM David Carmody Lay, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom.
You will not be forgotten...
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Army Veteran, CSM. David Carmody Lay, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - July 01 at 08:47 AM

CD

“ *Cornelia & Robert Dodds lit a candle in memory of David Lay*



Cornelia & Robert Dodds - June 30 at 09:45 PM



“ *June & JD, we are sad to read the news of your father's passing. He and your mother did an amazing job raising wonderful children. We lift your entire family in prayer & thoughts.*

Berry Long - June 30 at 08:54 PM