

## **Service Summary**

**Funeral Service** 

**Visitation** 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Fri Dec 11, 2015

Whitaker-Eads Funeral Home 813 Custer Trenton, MO 64683

## Obituary

**Born:** Wednesday, February 25, 1942 **Died:** Monday, December 7, 2015

Richard Paul Strong, 73, of Gilman City, Missouri, passed away at 4:17 PM on Monday, December 7, 2015 at St. Luke's Hospital on The Plaza in Kansas City, Missouri. The body was cremated. A scheduled visitation will be from 6:00 – 7:00 PM on Friday, December 11, 2015 at Whitaker Eads Funeral Home. Graveside services with military rights will be held at a later date at Springer Cemetery. Memorials and Contributions are suggested to the Springer Cemetery or The American Cancer Society and can be left with or mailed to the funeral home, 813 Custer, Trenton, MO 64683. Richard was born February 25, 1942 in Marshalltown, Iowa to Lloyd Henry and Isyla Marie (Weber) Strong. After high school he joined the Navy and served on board the U.S.S. Coral Sea from 1960 – 1964. He was united in marriage to Mellanie Roberts on January 4, 1965 in Stillwell, Oklahoma. He enjoyed trap shooting, going to bird dog trials and shows, fishing, and spending time with his family. He was also a member of the I.B.E.W Local 124.

Richard is survived by his wife Mellanie of Gilman City, MO; son, Robert Earl Strong and fiancé Krista Burnett of Gilman City, MO; daughter, Joy Stotts and husband Jack of Trenton; brothers, Lloyd Strong of CA, and Denny Strong and wife Mary of Shawnee Mission, KS; sisters, Annette Strong of McClouth, KS, Janette Strong of Oskaloosa, KS, and Marlene Clevenger and husband Jo of Shawnee, KS; grandchildren, Jadeth McCloud of Topeka, KS, Jacen Stotts, Jory Stotts, Jia Stotts, and Jemma Stotts all of Trenton, MO, Hayley Burnett and Jake Burnett of Gilman City, MO; and step grandchildren, beloved great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a stillborn son Aaron Strong.