



## Mr. Derrall Gardner

December 31, 1941 - May 8, 2019

August Derrall Gardner, 77, passed away May 8 surrounded by his family. He was born December 31, 1941 in Almyra, AR to Milan "Cap" and Florence Henderson Gardner.

He served in the Army and was a medic at Ft. Chaffee during the Berlin Crisis. Derrall was a postmaster for many years, and retired from St. Charles Post Office. He and his wife, Vicki, ran Schwab's Grocery in Crocketts Bluff for 15 years. He was the caretaker at Crocketts Bluff Cemetery for 37 years, and for 20 years helped lead the Crocketts Bluff 4th of July parade. Derrall loved antique tractors, but loved even more his children, grandchildren, fur babies and nieces and nephews

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Benny Joe Gardner, and grandson Adam Mosella.

Derrall is survived by his wife of 57 years Vicki Schwab Gardner; his children Tim Gardner of Little Rock, Eddie Gardner of Crocketts Bluff, Carrie Mosella of Edwardsville, IL, and Beyjo Gunnell of Hot Springs; seven grandchildren Slay, Candice, Stefan, Alex, Eddie, Nina, and Andrea; two great grandchildren Slayton and Ben; two sisters Myra Moss of Florida and Gail Farmer of Heber Springs; and a host of other family and friends.

Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. May 10 at Essex Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. May 11 at Essex Funeral Home with burial in Crocketts Bluff Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or Crocketts Bluff Cemetery, P.O. Box 56, Crocketts Bluff, AR 72038.

# Cemetery Details

## Crocketts Bluff Cemetry

Crocketts Bluff, AR 72038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home  
1405 South Grandview  
DeWitt, AR 72042  
(870) 946-3104  
<https://www.essexfuneralhome.com>

## Service

MAY 11. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PG

“ Vicki: I just saw Derrall's obituary this morning and I am so sorry to learn of his passing. I did not even know he was sick so it came as quite a shock to me. May God grant you and your family comfort and lots of wonderful memories. I remember him as a very happy and friendly person and always enjoyed seeing him. God bless you and I love you. Peggy Grantham



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**Peggy Grantham** - May 15, 2019 at 10:43 AM

SH

“ Vicki I hope you and the kids know you are in my thoughts and prayers . One of my favorite memories is when Derrall's tractor shut down before the July 4th parade. You weren't happy because you told him to check that tractor 1 week before the parade. You were frustrated and he was laughing. Memories will be there for you always. And don't forget, the strawberries are waiting for us.



*Suellen G. Henry*

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**Suellen G Henry** - May 10, 2019 at 02:52 AM

TM

“ Sorry to hear about Darrell one of the things Mother always looked forward to was 4th of July parade and see Darrell driving on of of his old tractors. Vicky you and all your family have my deepest sympathy

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**Terry Mullen** - May 09, 2019 at 10:51 PM

SB

“ Mrs. Vicki and Family, we are so sorry to hear about your loss. May God wrap his arms around you and the family during such a difficult time!

*With Love, Brandon and Samantha Brewer (Brother of Jennifer Gardner)*

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**Samantha Brewer** - May 09, 2019 at 09:25 PM

CP

“ Charlotte Purdy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Derrall Gardner



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**Charlotte Purdy** - May 09, 2019 at 09:24 PM

FR

“ Vicky, I just saw this. sending my thoughts, condolence and and Prayers.

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**floyd rush** - May 09, 2019 at 09:14 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.



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May 09, 2019 at 09:12 PM

JB

“ Please accept our deepest condolences on the loss of Mr. Gardner.  
We pray for strength and comfort for you all at this time. Xoxo

Jeannie Bailey - May 09, 2019 at 07:37 PM

WF

“ With Sympathy and Love, Marta Novakovic and  
Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for  
the family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.



With Sympathy and Love, Marta Novakovic and Family - May  
09, 2019 at 06:47 PM

RG

“ Rhonda Ross Gardner lit a candle in memory  
of Mr. Derrall Gardner



Rhonda Ross Gardner - May 09, 2019 at 06:27 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the  
family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.



May 09, 2019 at 06:16 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.*



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May 09, 2019 at 05:34 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.*



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May 09, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. Derrall Gardner.*



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May 09, 2019 at 05:01 PM