

Mervin Lee Sexton left his earthly family to meet his maker
Dec 1, 2020 with his family by his side.

Born Acme, Ks 12/17/32, south of Abilene on family farm to Lee & Katie Burton Sexton.
2 sisters Irene Sexton Ross who preceded him in death and Melva Sexton Loader (Dale)

Attended Knox School, District 44 1st thru 8th grade
Graduated Abilene High 1950 where he met the love of his life Cecelia Ann Zey Sexton. After graduation Mervin entered the Navy November 1950, and while home on 2nd 30-day leave, was stricken with polio, and retired from the Navy May 1953.
Mervin and Cecelia were united in marriage March 3, 1953 in Great Lakes Illinois, and were blessed with 5 children and adopted 2 granddaughters:
Jarda Fitzwater (Bruce) Derby, Kansas
Mark Sexton (Nikki) Manhattan, Kansas
Christine Graham Topeka, Kansas
Amy Hodges (Butch) Deceased
Jill Ross, Manhattan, Kansas
Deanna Sexton Deceased
Angie Page Wichita, Kansas
Along with 16 grandchildren

Following Navy, he attended Brown Mackey, Salina Kansas, where he graduated with an accounting degree in 1957, and began his lifelong career in the livestock auction market industry at Reynolds Sale Barn, Abilene, Kansas.

June 15, 1958 he went to work for then Koenig Sale Barn, Manhattan, Ks where he bought in as partner and was owner/operator of current Manhattan Commission Co Inc from 1969 until present, where he was admired and respected by the cattle industry members.

KSS Truck Line Inc, Manhattan Livestock Exchange Inc, Sale Barn Café, & Lees Western Wear were added throughout the years to his accomplishments.

His legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew him, he was a kind, fair, courageous, extremely intelligent man with a love for God, his family and his Sale Barn. We will forever miss this gentle man who always had a kind word for everyone and was a role model for many.

Mervin was a member of Seven Dolores Church
Knights of Columbus
Elks Club
Eagles
VFW
American Legion
And DAV

As was his final wish, he will come home to Abilene to be laid to rest as his fondest memories are there, where he met his life partner and had so many wonderful times, and cherished memories together with Cecelia, friends, and family.