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### Otis S. Cummings, Sr.

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#### Otis S. Cummings, Sr. Obituary

**Otis S. Cummings, Sr.** of Puxico, son of the late John Wesley and Kate R. Marion Cummings, was born in Fairview, Missouri on May 9, 1936 and passed away at the Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau on January 15, 2016, at the age of 79 years, 8 months and 6 days.

Otis had lived in Fairview, Missouri most of his life and moved to Puxico in 2002. He had worked as a rocket and jet engine mechanic and had owned his own tractor business. He had spent thirty years in the Missouri National Guard. He enjoyed working on and restoring tractors.

On January 1, 1988, he married Merlyn Clinton Richard in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Surviving is his wife, Merlyn Cummings of Puxico; two sons, Otis S. Cummings, Jr. of Van Buren, MO, Leslie Don Cummings of Puxico; two stepsons & wives, David & Cynthia Richard of Creve Coeur, MO, Dan & Janice Richard of Fenton, MO; six grandchildren, Sherri Kamguia and Zachary Cummings both of Neosho, MO, Ashley Henley of South Haven, MS, John Cummings of Memphis, TN, Aaron & James Cummings both of, Van Buren, MO; three step grandchildren, Matt Richard of Columbia, MO, Stacy Richard of Fenton, MO, Jackie Richard of Savannah, GA; four great great grandchildren, Landon Henley of South Haven, MS, Violet Elizabeth (Drake) Cummings and Wesley (Drake) Cummings both of Memphis, TN, Naomi Dawn Cummings of Neosho, MO; and one brother, David O'Neil Cummings of North Carolina. Other relatives and friends also survive.

Visitation will be held on Monday, January 18, 2016, from 11:00 am until time of services at 12:30 pm at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Interment will follow at the Duck Creek Cemetery near Puxico with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service in charge of arrangements.

Watkins & Sons Funeral Service - [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com)

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