



## Paul Meredith Abbitt

November 17, 1935 - December 2, 2023

Meredith Abbitt, 88, passed away on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at his home in Whitestown. He was born on November 17, 1935, in Lebanon, a son of the late Chester and Mary (Hamilton) Abbitt.

On November 23, 1956, he was united in marriage to Louise May (Dye) Abbitt in Lebanon, she survives. They spent 67 loving years together.

Meredith attended Union Elementary School and received his diploma from Zionsville High School in 1953, having played on Zionsville's only regional winning basketball team.

Meredith's family had a farming operation that included 160 acers, plus another 110 acers that they farmed for their neighbors. Their focus was dairy herd, complimented by hogs, row crops, alfalfa, sheep, and beef cows. Their farm was sold in 2004 and is now the site of Zionsville Union Elementary School. His family still has another working farm in Union Township. Meredith was the fourth generation raised on the family farm and now his daughter Lillian is the fifth generation to live on the farm.

On March 5, 2009, at the 72nd Annual Breeders and Feeders banquet, in Boone County, Meredith received an achievement award, the Distinguished Agricultural Career Award. He was on the ASCS board for 17 years as a 4-H

leaders assistant and was a lifetime member of Mts. Runn Baptist Church in Zionsville, where he served on the cemetery board. He was also a bus driver for Zionsville schools starting in 1987 and loved those kids dearly. In Meredith's spare time he enjoyed going fishing and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Louise May (Dye) Abbitt of Whitestown; daughter, Lillian R. Easter of Whitestown; grandchildren, Abigail H. (Jacob) Pettit of Frankfort and Bryce C. Easter of Whitestown; great grandchild, Darci Pettit; brother, Chester Marion Abbitt; great nephews, Robert, and David (Sabine) Abbitt; and great niece, Jolan Abbitt.

In addition to his parents, Meredith was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Jess Brockway; and sister-in-law, Deloris Abbitt.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, December 8, 2023, at Mts. Runn Baptist Church, 250 South 775 East, Zionsville, IN 46077.

Funeral Services are planned for 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 9, 2023, at Mts. Runn Baptist Church.

Meredith will be laid to rest at Mts. Runn Baptist Cemetery, 350 South 775 East, Zionsville, IN 46077. Myers Mortuary has been entrusted with his arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to Mts. Runn Baptist Church, 250 South 775 East, Zionsville, IN 46077.

# Cemetery Details

## Mts. Runn Cemetery

250 South 775 East  
Zionsville, IN 46077

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mts. Runn Baptist Church  
250 South 775 East  
Zionsville, IN 46077

## Service

DEC 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Mts. Runn Baptist Church  
250 South 775 East  
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# Tribute Wall

JD

“ I remember family gatherings at the Dye home in Lebanon for Christmas. Uncle Meredith would always take time to ask my brothers, sister and I how we were doing. He would always listen as if it was really important to us and had a great smile. Many years later, when we would gather for the holidays at my late mother's home, that same interest in everyone was there. His love for farming, Zionsville basketball and family was clear. I will always remember that smile. Debbie, my son Chris and I send our sympathies. Wes Dye

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**John Dye** - December 12, 2023 at 07:41 AM

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“ Meredith was such a kind and joyful person, a gentle soul. I was lucky to have him as my bus driver when I was school. I often find myself thinking of him whenever I'm passing by busses in my old neighborhood. He was a special person ❤️

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**Kelsie Roberts** - December 09, 2023 at 09:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Meredith Abbitt.

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December 09, 2023 at 09:53 PM

GK

“ I will always be grateful for Meredith's cheerful personality. I had the honor of riding to all of the away basketball games with him as the driver back in the late 80's and early 90's. Even in my forties, if I saw Meredith out in the community, He still greeted my with a cheerful hello and told whoever he was with that I used to be one of the "Yell Leaders."

I also remember him in that giant team photo in the old gym of the '53 Regional Champs! What a great memory!

My heart breaks that we have lost this exceptional human.

Fondly,  
Georgianna (Pock) Kaser

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**Georgianna Kaser** - December 07, 2023 at 10:39 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Meredith Abbitt.



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December 07, 2023 at 09:37 AM

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“ Love, Mts. Runn Church Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Meredith Abbitt.

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**Love, Mts. Runn Church Family** - December 07, 2023 at 09:37 AM

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“ *Meredith took such good care of our kids as he drove them safely to and from school.  
His heavenly rewards will be great as he took care of all the children in his care.*

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**Terri Ransdell** - December 07, 2023 at 08:09 AM