



Dr. Joe Edward Belew

August 27, 1931 - January 17, 2025

Dr. Joe Edward Belew of Chesterfield, Missouri, passed away peacefully at the age of 93 on January 17th, 2025.

He is survived by his three children, Taina Heimer, Cindy Swanson, and Dr. Mark Edward Belew, 6 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Dr. Belew was born on August 27th, 1931 at home on his family's farm in Lonedell, Missouri. The farm was an original land grant signed by Ulysses S. Grant, and is still actively farmed by members of the Belew family. After graduating high school, he attended Central Methodist College in Fayette, MO and met the love of his life, Mary Jane Ash. They married on August 28th, 1955, and were devoted to each other for over 63yrs. He attended St. Louis University Medical School, and went to Washington University for residency specializing in OB Gyn. After graduating from residency, Dr. Belew served in the US military as an officer in the Army and was head of the obstetrics department while stationed at Augsburg, Germany. He returned to St. Louis where he had a successful private practice in West County spanning more than 50 years. He delivered over 11,000 babies before retiring, including a set of

quadruplets! He held many prestigious positions in his field over his long career including Chief of Staff at St. Luke's Hospital, Head of Washington University fertility clinic, and president of Central Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Dr. Belew was well respected and loved by his colleagues, patients, friends, and family. He was an optimist, and always saw the good in people. He lived life to the fullest traveling, playing golf, gardening, and spending time with his family and friends. Of all his personal and professional accomplishments, he was most proud of being a devoted husband to his wife and loving father/grandfather. We will miss his jokes, stories, infectious chuckles, and his presence.

Funeral services will be held at Bonhomme Presbyterian Church in Chesterfield MO on 2/8/2025. Visitation 10am-12pm, with 12 service. Interment and Military salute to follow at the Bellerive Gardens Cemetery/Mausoleum, 740 N Mason Rd, 63141.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Friends of St Luke's (StLukes-STL.com/Friends)

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Dr. Joe Belew please visit our Sympathy Store.

Cemetery Details

Bellerive Gardens Cemetery

740 North Mason Road
St. Louis, MO 63141
(314) 434-3933
info@bellerivegardens.com
<https://bellerivegardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church
14820 Conway Road
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Funeral Service

FEB 8. 12:00 PM (CT)

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