



## Earl G. Challans

June 11, 1945 - July 29, 2020

Challans, Earl G., of High Ridge, Missouri was born June 11, 1945 in Decatur, Illinois to Ralph and Gladys (nee Shade) Challans and entered into rest Wednesday, July 29 at the age of 75 years, 1 month and 19 days.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife Penny (nee Roques) Challans,

Five(5) children Nicole (Michael) Pettis of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Joseph Challans of High Ridge, Missouri, Amy (Robert) Blayney of Lees Summit, Missouri, Christina (Ryan) Lawson of Topeka, Kansas and Dennis (Jennifer) Challans of St. Peters, Missouri.

Five (5) Siblings William, Charles, Ralph, Trudy and Aetna

Ten (10) grandchildren.

Earl was an entrepreneur specializing in food service. He was the proprietor of four Mr. Donut locations in Illinois as well as the Big Guys Restaurant in Pacific, Missouri. He was a Vietnam Army veteran who received a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster as well as a Vietnam Bronze Star with an Oak Cluster. He was also nominated for a Silver Star. Earl

was a member of several service organizations including the Business Network International, Ambucks and Commander of the American Legion Post 783. He was a loving father who was most proud of having raised his children to become warm, loving and caring adults.

Visitation will be Thursday, August 6, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, Missouri. A Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, August 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church 3009 High Ridge Blvd., High Ridge, Missouri. Please be advised that St. Anthony's strongly encourages the use of face coverings for Mass. Interment will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Memorials in his honor are encouraged to a charity of your choice pertaining to Veterans Affairs. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com) and follow details of this event and others in the community at [www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill](http://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill).

# Cemetery Details

## Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

2900 Sheridan Road  
St. Louis, MO 63125

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill  
6300 Highway 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100  
[info@stlfuneral.com](mailto:info@stlfuneral.com)  
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

## Funeral Mass

AUG 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Anthony of Puda Catholic Church  
3009 High Ridge Blvd  
High Ridge, MO 63049

# Tribute Wall



“ *Earl G. Challans*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 05, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 03, 2020 at 11:19 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 03, 2020 at 06:32 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 03, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 03, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ *To a coach and a father figure when I had none, it is not goodbye, it's I'll see you soon, save me a seat...*

**Thomas Scott Zeigler** - August 02, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.*



August 02, 2020 at 02:29 PM

JB

“ I have a lot of memories of Earl especially the one when he was President and I was Vice President of the High Ridge. I had my wife call Earl and the Jefferson County Police to go down to the fields One evening as I was going to be there with about 15 unwanted guests. Earl arrived before the police and I had been there by myself. Earl brought his Rottweiler I said that dog is afraid of it's own shadow. Earl said you and I both know that but they don't. That's when he told the dog to HOLD BACK! HOLD Back! I felt a lot better when he showed me his 9mm which was tucked inside his jacket! RIP my friend!

Jesse Brunner

Tampa, Kansas

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Jesse Brunner - August 01, 2020 at 06:42 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.



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August 01, 2020 at 11:57 AM

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“ Sheral Thuernau lit a candle in memory of Earl G. Challans



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Sheral Thuernau - August 01, 2020 at 02:13 AM

MM

“ I am very sorry to hear about Earl. He was a great man, devoted to his wife and family. He was also very active in our church, and was a great leader in anything he got involved in. Penny, you and your family have my most heartfelt sympathy, and prayers.

*Mike McCarthy*

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**Mike McCarthy** - August 01, 2020 at 01:15 AM



“ Sunny Memories was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.



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July 31, 2020 at 08:12 PM

JH

“ I remember Earl as being the best President that the High Ridge Khoury League ever had. With your leadership & vision, your legacy left many good memories with all the boys and girls, umpires and parents who played there.

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**John E Haley** - July 31, 2020 at 03:44 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Earl G. Challans.



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July 31, 2020 at 03:28 PM