



## Dr. Robert Ray Priddy

January 17, 1929 - November 21, 2021

Dr. Robert Ray Priddy, 92 of Huntington, passed away peacefully in his sleep early Sunday morning, November 21, 2021 at his residence.

He was born on January 17, 1929 in Muncie, Indiana to Harold E. & Dorothy M. (Yost) Priddy. He graduated from Bluffton High School and served as a PFC in the U.S. Marines Reserve Company Band from 1947-1949 and served as a major in the Civil Air Patrol at the Fort Wayne Senior Squadron. He is a graduate of Huntington College, University of St. Francis and Ball State University.

Dr. Priddy worked at Dana Corporation in Fort Wayne, taught for 7 years in the Bluffton-Harrison MSD and Huntington County Community Schools, and taught for 25 years as a professor at Huntington College and Mount Vernon Nazarene College, where he retired with as a Professor Emeritus. He conducted research on Bobwhite Quail in Indiana and Ohio for over 30 years. Dr. Priddy married H. Rosalie (Wright) on July 2, 1948. They shared 54 years of marriage before she preceded him in death on May 1, 2002.

Survivors include his children; Dr. Evelyn Priddy of Huntington, Jacqueline (David) Miller of LaPorte, IN., Dr. David (Marilyn) Priddy of Peoria, IL. along with 4 grandchildren; Cheryl (Joe) Killingbeck, Michelle (Evan) Lancaster, Gregory Miller and Stephanie (Chet) Hunsley and 2 great-grandchildren; Wesley and Finley Lancaster.

Dr. Priddy is also survived by 3 sisters; Roberta Ruth Solts of Boise, ID., Mary Lou Johnson of Colorado and Martha Sue Mitchem, of Rock View, WV., along

with 10 nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Funeral Services will be held at 11 A.M. on Saturday (Nov. 27, 2021) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor Kate Uebersax officiating. Burial will follow at I.O.O.F. – Twin Hills Cemetery in Pennville.

Calling will take place for one hour prior to the funeral service.

Memorials may be made to Huntington University, Mount Vernon Nazarene College or to the memorial of the donor's choice.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## I.O.O.F - Twin Hills Cemetery

7727 W 400 N  
Pennville, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Robert Ray Priddy*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - November 27, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ *Dr. Robert Ray Priddy*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I thoroughly enjoyed being in Dr. Priddy's Biology and Natural Resources classes at Mt Vernon Nazerene College in late 80s. He was an inspiring, uplifting educator and Christian. Fondly remember his stories and slide shows on bobwhite qualye and other animals he was observing. Remember him talking about his time at the Salamonie reservoir in Indiana. Did some fun class field trips as well. We even stopped at his house on St Rt 308 a time or two. Great Memories with a Great Man! God Bless him and Family. Dave M.*

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**Dave McMillan** - December 05, 2021 at 07:43 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Robert Ray Priddy.*



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November 26, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ *I am writing this on behalf of my mother, Dorine Howard Zuercher. She would like to send her condolences to Robert's family, especially his sisters Roberta, Mary Lou and Martha. She fondly remembers your family and baby sitting you when you were children. She absolutely would come to the funeral if she hadn't taken ill this past week. May your faith comfort you in your time of loss.*

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**Dot Martin** - November 25, 2021 at 11:00 PM



*Dot, could you please contact the funeral home (260)824-3850? Ms. Roberta would like to get in touch with you and we have her information. Thank you! Jamie*

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**Jamie** - November 29, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ *Bill and Sandie Wright purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Robert Ray Priddy.*



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**Bill and Sandie Wright** - November 24, 2021 at 12:07 PM



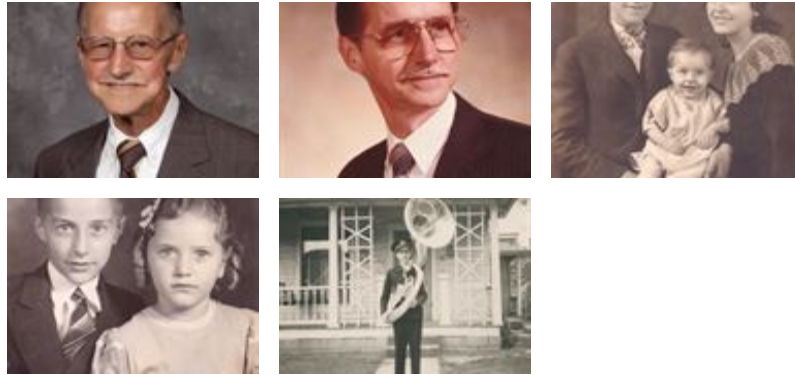
“ *I remember time our families spent together, and of course Evie and Jackie being the best babysitters. Praying for God's comfort your family.*

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**Eleanor Hill** - November 23, 2021 at 01:35 PM



“ *31 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - November 23, 2021 at 12:58 PM

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“ *My condolences to Evelyn, Jackie and Dave on the passing of your father. Bob was in my HC graduation class of '64 and I taught with him during his time on the faculty at HC. He was a gentle man, a genuine gentleman who enjoyed life.*

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**Jerry Smith** - November 22, 2021 at 04:37 PM