



## Francis Clifford Bricker Sr.

December 28, 1930 - January 8, 2026

Francis Clifford Bricker Sr., age 95, of Albia, IA, passed away on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Francis was born on December 28, 1930, in Chariton, IA, to George Hiram and Susan Jonna (Johnston) Bricker. He grew up attending school in Chariton. Francis served his country in the United States Air Force during the Korean War from 1948-1953. On July 16, 1954, he was united in marriage to Patty Arlene Rogers in Unionville, MO, and to this union, 4 children were born: Mitchell, Francis Jr., Ricky, and Vicky. Patty and Francis were blessed with 71 years of marriage prior to her passing on December 28, 2025, just 11 days prior to his passing.

Francis was a dedicated employee at Maytag in Newton for 32 ½ years where he worked on the assembly line. After retiring from Maytag, Francis mowed for the City of Albia for many years.

Francis was a member of the First Christian Church in Albia, as well as the Albia American Legion Howard Cessna Post #136. He enjoyed being outdoors—especially trapping, hunting, fishing, camping, and watching the parasailers at Lake Rathbun with Patty. He also loved to garden and enjoyed sharing his produce with his children and neighbors. He was a devoted husband and a proud father and grandfather. His true joy in life was spending

time with his family.

Francis is survived by 4 children, Mitch Bricker, Francis Bricker Jr., Rick (Lorraine) Bricker, and Vicky Bricker; 9 grandchildren, Alicia (Dan) McCain, Travis (Samantha) Bricker, Ben (Cassi) Bricker, Tom (Whitney) Bricker, Joshua (Kaylee Bruns) Bricker, Jeremy (Tabatha) Bricker, Joe (Kim) Bricker, Terry (Kari) Bricker, and Erica Bricker; 11 great grandchildren; and 2 great-great grandchildren. Francis is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

Francis is preceded in death by his parents, George and Jessie Bricker; 3 brothers, George Bricker, Richard (Louise) Bricker, and John Bricker; his parents-in-law, Lyle and Tina Rogers; 3 sisters-in-law, Rose (Lawrence) Morgan, Norma (Jack) Mitchell, and Vera Rogers; and several nieces and nephews.

Military Honors provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose, will be held at 4:00 p.m. on January 16, 2026, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia.

Visitation will be held immediately following military honors until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2026, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Francis's family present to greet family and friends. A private family burial will be held at Oak View Cemetery in Albia at a later date.

A memorial has been established to the First Christian Church in Albia.

# Previous Events

## Military Honors

JAN 16. 4:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
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