



## Gordon Arthur Briggs M.D.

July 28, 1928 - July 18, 2017

Gordon Arthur Briggs MD, affectionately known as "Doc," was taken home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on July 18, 2017. Gordon was born on July 28, 1928 in Ferndale, the son of Harold A. and Della (Murdick) Briggs and graduated from Romeo High School in 1946. Gordon loved agriculture and served as State President of the Michigan FFA during 1946-47. He attended Wayne State University, earning a Bachelor's Degree in 1953, and on November 22, 1952, married the love of his life Carol Wepler.

While operating a farm in Mayville, Gordon decided to further his education from the University of Michigan where he earned his Medical Doctorate in 1964. Gordon continued to pursue his love of farming while operating a Family Practice in Hemlock and serving as an Emergency Room Physician for St. Luke's Hospital in Saginaw.

Gordon and Carol decided to move their family and farm to Scottville in 1977 operating what has become known as Briggs Heifer Haven Farms with his sons and grandsons, and also continued his medical practice in Saginaw. In 1985 he left St. Luke's and served as an Emergency Room Physician for Memorial Medical Center in Ludington.

Gordon was a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who was extremely devoted to family. He was a compassionate

doctor and dedicated farmer whose life has affected countless lives.

Gordon will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of 64 years, Carol; his five sons Gordon Briggs and wife Sue of Scottville, Pastor Dale Briggs and wife Kathy of Tucson, AZ, John Briggs MD and wife Susie of Fremont, Greg Briggs of Scottville, Scott Briggs and wife Jeanene also of Scottville, and his daughter Joy Assaad MD and husband Haney Assaad MD of Muskegon. Gordon will also be missed by 23 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, his sister Betty Kellog and husband Elmer of McMillan, MI, and many other nieces, nephews and cousins.

Dad and grandpa will be greatly and deeply missed by us all, yet we rejoice that He is with the Lord. We grieve, but not as those who do not have hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

Funeral services will be held for Gordon at 12:30 pm on Thursday, August 3rd at Mason County Reformed Church in Scottville with his son, Pastor Dale Briggs officiating. Burial will take place at Brookside Cemetery in Scottville. Friends may meet with the family for a time of visitation on Wednesday evening, August 2nd from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services – Stephens Funeral Home in Scottville, and on Thursday from 11:30 am until time of services at the church. Those who wish to remember Dr. Briggs with a memorial donation are asked to consider Cornerstone Baptist Church in Ludington, or the Glen Memorial Baptist Church Building Fund in St. Ignace.

# Cemetery Details

## Brookside Cemetery

950 W. State Street  
Scottville, MI 49454

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 2. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - Stephens Funeral Home  
305 E. State St.  
Scottville, MI 49454  
(231) 757-3333  
wyman-stephens@sbcglobal.net  
<https://www.wymanfuneralservice.com>

## Visitation

AUG 3. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Mason County Reformed Church  
45 South Amber  
Scottville, MI 49454

## Service

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AUG 3. 12:30 PM (ET)

Mason County Reformed Church  
45 South Amber  
Scottville, MI 49454

# Tribute Wall



“ Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Gordon Arthur Briggs M.D.



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**Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services** - August 01, 2017 at 11:10 AM

HK

“ Grandpa Briggs taught me a lot about hard work, focus, and chasing my dreams. I am thankful for the home away from home he gave my brother David for many years. Grandpa also taught a love of farming to my brother, which changed David's life in so many positive ways. He was a kind and generous man. He was married to the same woman for close to 65 years and loved her dearly. More than anything I am thankful for the love this man had for Jesus Christ. This will be his greatest legacy. He instilled this love in his children, which passed to his grandchildren, which is continually passed to his great-grandchildren. I pray his legacy will continue to be passed down through the generations to come.

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**Heather Kvidahl** - August 03, 2017 at 11:55 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



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**Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services** - August 02, 2017 at 09:50 AM

KD

“ Gordon and Carol were frequent visitors to Glen Memorial Baptist church in St. Ignace where my wife and I got to know them. I will always remember Gordon's voice and his firm handshake. It always brought a smile to my face to see the two of them on Sunday morning. Loved talking with them. What an amazing Godly man and what a legacy he leaves.

God Bless

Keith and Becky Doepker

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keith Doepker - August 01, 2017 at 10:05 PM



“ 30 files added to the album Life Tributes



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Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - August 01, 2017 at 10:55 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gordon Arthur Briggs M.D..



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July 30, 2017 at 06:49 PM

LP

“ we always enjoyed his singing he was a wonderful singer always enjoyed visiting with him and his wife

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**linda partida** - July 28, 2017 at 07:09 PM

RT

“ Ron Washer and The Africa Team purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Gordon Arthur Briggs M.D..



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**Ron Washer and The Africa Team** - July 26, 2017 at 02:47 PM

BR

“ So sorry for our loss.. Born and raised in hemlock, Drs ling and Briggs were our family doctors. Good doctor and person

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**betty lou (tessin) rood** - July 23, 2017 at 03:46 PM

SA

“ So sorry to hear of Gordon's passing and we know he is present with the Lord. He was a strong witness for the Lord with dear Carol, raising his family with the Lord's leading. My dad Robert Briggs, was a brother to his father, Harold, and all were raised to work hard, as Gordon did until God called him home. Sending love to your family, now. Bill and Sandra Ayre.

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**Sandra Ayre** - July 21, 2017 at 02:43 PM