



## Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston

October 20, 1933 - January 11, 2023

Frederick Ivan Preston, a life-long resident of Howard and Elk County, passed away Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at Greenwood County Hospital in Eureka.

Fred, as he was known, was born October 20, 1933 west of Howard on the family farm to Otis and Hazel (Greenwood) Preston. He was raised on the farm alongside his 8 brothers and sisters, Fred being the oldest son. He rode his horse one and a half miles to attend a one room school house, before having to quit school to help his father full time on the farm due to the death of his uncle.

In September 1974, Fred married Dorothy Ward and became dad to her 3 children. They moved to the family farm in 1975 when Fred's father retired, and he continued raising crops and cattle. He loved the farm life, and could make anything grow. He was known for his garden, especially his turnips. He continued raising cattle until 2000, when his health began deteriorating, so he and Dorothy retired and moved to Howard. Although retired, he would still be seen at the Eureka Livestock Auction watching the cattle being bought and sold up until just a few weeks ago.

Free time didn't come around very often, but Fred and Dorothy loved to go camping, and would take their camper to Beaver Lake and spend as much

time as they could. They also loved devoting time to their church. Fred became a member of the First Baptist Church in Howard in 1973, and quickly became part of the friendly congregation. He has served as teacher, usher, trustee, and was ordained as deacon on December 9, 1990, which he was very proud of.

Fred is survived by his wife, Dorothy Preston

#### Children

Steven (Loretta) Ward of Gardner

Susan (Justin) Maples of Augusta

Sheryl (Rob) Mackowiak of Chicago

Grandchildren, Bradley Ward, Mike Ward, Brent Burke, Katie Smith, Alex Mackowiak, and Anna Mackowiak

Great-grandchildren, Cooper, Tatum, Seth, Chase, Mikenna, Myla, Maci, Reece

#### Siblings:

Dennis Preston (Sharon Cowden) of Wichita

Dorothy Walta of Bonner Springs

Sue (Marty) Wacker of Lansing

He was preceded in death by both of his parents, sisters, Ruth Preston, Norma Salisbury and Joyce Lord, brothers, Dean Preston and Orvan Preston, and grandson, Eddie Bonnette

Family will receive friends at visitation on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at Countryside Funeral Home in Howard from 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 10:00 AM at the First Baptist Church in Howard. Interment will follow in Cresco Cemetery, north of Howard.

Memorial contributions in honor of Fred can be made to the First Baptist Church of Howard and can be mailed to or left with the funeral home.

Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 206 E. Washington, PO Box 1233, Howard, KS 67349

# Cemetery Details

## Cresco Cemetery

US HWY 99 & Rock Rd  
Howard, KS 67349

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Howard  
206 E. Washington  
P.O. Box 1233  
Howard, KS 67349  
(620) 374-2381

## Service

JAN 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
135 N. Cedar  
Howard, KS 67349

# Tribute Wall



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston.* ”



January 18, 2023 at 10:47 AM



“ *Janet Miller lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Fred" Preston* ”



**Janet Miller** - January 17, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston.* ”



January 16, 2023 at 06:34 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston.* ”



January 16, 2023 at 11:10 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston.



January 15, 2023 at 03:59 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Frederick "Fred" Ivan Preston.



January 15, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ 1 file added to the album More Photos of Fred



**Sherry** - January 13, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ Chip&Nancy Crum lit a candle in memory of Frederick "Fred" Preston



**Chip&Nancy Crum** - January 12, 2023 at 08:30 PM

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*Abby and I think of Fred often, what a dear man. He will always remain in our hearts.*

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**jane F koster** - April 27, 2023 at 09:15 AM