



## Timothy J. Hughes

May 30, 1949 - January 11, 2020

Timothy J. Hughes, age 70, of Belton, MO died on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Carnegie Village Rehabilitation & Health Care Center in Belton, MO. Mr. Hughes was born in Bentonville, AR on Monday, May 30, 1949. He was the son of Kenneth and Bernice (Kelly) Hughes. Mr. Hughes married Kay Strong on Sunday, August 13, 1972 in Wentworth, MO and she survives. Mr. Hughes started teaching in 1987 with Metropolitan Community Colleges in the Kansas City area. He retired from Belton High School where he taught from 2000-2012. He started the high school news cast at Belton and was the speech and debate coach. Mr. Hughes was the first teacher, at Belton, to take the debate team to nationals. He was District Teacher of the Year in 2004. He enjoyed gardening and Kansas City sports. He was an avid Royals fan and a big movie buff. Mr. Hughes also earned the honor of Eagle Scout. He always enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Surviving are the following: his wife, Kay of Belton, MO; two sons, Jamie Hughes of Milo, MO and Stephen Hughes of Belton, MO; one daughter, Rebecca Aciego from Peculiar, MO; one sister, Jeanie Close of Raytown, MO; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City, MO on Friday, January 17, 2020 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM. Graveside services will be at Van Buren Cemetery in Wentworth, MO on Friday, January 17, 2020

beginning at 2:30 PM with Brother Deny LeMaster officiating. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City, MO.

On Sunday, January 26, 2020, the family will hold a celebration of life at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle, Raymore, MO from 1 - 4 p.m.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Lakin Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Timothy J. Hughes*

October 09, 2023 at 08:34 AM



“ *Mr. Hughes had a tremendous impact on our family, as a fellow teacher and a teacher to our daughter Hollyanne, who absolutely loved the broadcasting class that he initiated in the Belton School District. He had an affinity for students, and was always helpful with those that were involved in Special Olympics. He was an impactful teacher, kind, caring, but also expected only your best. God has a wonderful Angel joining his ranks.  
God Bless to the Hughes family with comfort, peace and sympathy.  
Mark and Kathy Muder and family*

**Kathy Muder** - January 20, 2020 at 01:51 PM



“ *Timmy was my cousin and we saw each other every two years when dad would bring us out to visit his brother. Timmy was a great playmate, with no real faults that I can remember and his mom was quite a fine woman, a big factor in how Timmy turned out (Sorry, I only knew him as Timmy). We were the same age, so I guess that helped us get along, but I can see from his accomplishments that he really did have a fine personality. This world will surely miss him!*

**Jlm Hughes** - January 18, 2020 at 07:56 PM

JB

“ Jim and Kay Butner purchased the "Amazing Grace" Keepsake Memory Box for the family of Timothy J. Hughes.



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**Jim and Kay Butner** - January 16, 2020 at 09:29 AM

DE

“ By far my favorite teacher at BHS when I attended there! Always is a good mood, he would never let you down! I remember one thing especially about him the first thing he would always ask our class was “did you have any dreams last night” and if you did he would tell you what they meant! I love his upbeat personality and how he treated every student as equal and respect. He will be greatly missed!

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**deja** - January 15, 2020 at 04:49 PM

LM

“ So sorry for your loss I knew Timothy and his family way back I worked with his mom ironing clothes for her lived in grandview right by them

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**Linda may** - January 15, 2020 at 04:22 PM

LF

“ Liz Kelly and family purchased the Loved One Vertical Blanket for the family of Timothy J. Hughes.



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**Liz Kelly and family** - January 15, 2020 at 10:57 AM

CA

“ *Mr. Hughes impacted my life at school so much, especially on my bad days. He was one of the best teachers I’ve had and he was only a substitute. Thank you for sharing your knowledge and making learning fun. You will be missed.*

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**Courtney Allen** - January 15, 2020 at 08:08 AM

PN

“ *Mr. Hughes was like a 2nd father to me. So many fond memories of him and his brilliantly sarcastic wit. One of the funniest men, and kindest hearts I have ever known. Hang in there Stephen!*



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**Peter Nygren** - January 15, 2020 at 12:53 AM

TA

“ *Tasca and Anthony purchased the A Tear Of Love for the family of Timothy J. Hughes.*



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**Tasca and Anthony** - January 14, 2020 at 11:00 PM

JS

“ *It's my honor to have known Mr.Hughes. My son Caleb Shoemaker had him as a teacher. When he was in highschool at Belton. I will forever treasure my memories of him an when Caleb was in Debate with Mr. Hughes. My heart felt condolences to Tge Huges family. In the loss of this great witty fella.*

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**Jamie Shoemaker** - January 14, 2020 at 07:54 PM

SD

“ I'd like to share a huge thank you to Mr. Hughes for teaching me to be more confident in myself and learning to face my fear of stage fright when reading a speech. May you rest in peace and I'll be praying for your loved ones.

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**Stephanie Dannahower** - January 14, 2020 at 06:55 PM

CS

“ I was a student of Mr. Hughes 2000-2003. He encouraged me to push the boundaries in my divisions - Humorous Interpretation - to which I learned to excel, much to his credit.

*I may have been a hard to handle personality at times, but I always liked Mr. Hughes.*

*20 years later his coaching and teaching still has a positive impact.*

*I'm sorry for your loss, Mrs. Hughes - and to all who knew and loved him.*

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**Courtney Staton** - January 14, 2020 at 05:20 PM