



Adlore "Jug" Joseph Lambert Jr

May 18, 1925 - November 24, 2024

Adlore Joseph "Jug" Lambert Jr. - 99 Years of Beautiful Life was born May 18, 1925, and passed away on November 24, 2024.

Adlore was born in Watseka, Illinois and was one of seven children born to Adlore Sr. and Frances Heeler Lambert. The family moved to Kankakee when he was young, where he lived for most of his life. Known by all as Jug, he attended Farm School in Watseka and The Little Red Boys School of St. Rose Church while working with his parents and siblings during his formative years. In 1943, upon turning 18 years old, Jug joined the US Naval Forces and became a 1st Class Machinist in the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre deployed on the USS Landing Ship Tank LST-452. After he enlisted, he found the "only love of his life," Geraldine (Gerry) Kamp. They were married for 62 years. Gerry and Jug had two children, Stephen and Linda.

Over Jug's lifetime, he worked many jobs to keep his family healthy and happy. Jug was a grocer, ammunition factory worker, bread delivery driver, upholsterer, and auto factory employee. When he was 36, he was hired as a plumber by his brothers, Len and Floyd. Jug took every step required by the Union to become a Master Plumber until he retired.

Together, Jug and Gerry lived a very active life, always traveling and looking for new adventures. They welcomed four grandchildren and always brought an effervescent energy (and a lot of food) to holidays and gatherings with the family. Sadly, Gerry passed in 2008, and tragically his daughter, Linda in 2022. As Jug often reminded us, there is quiet comfort knowing they will be together

again.

Anyone that has ever known Jug understands his curiosity and energy never allowed him to stop moving. As stubborn as he was talented, Jug could find, fix, build, or accomplish absolutely any task. All with a pipe in his mouth wafting protective and loving scents. He taught himself to play the organ, built remote-controlled airplanes, maintained fish tanks, and constructed elaborate wood models. He repeatedly proved he was the better fisherman in the family, and regularly got us all in trouble with fireworks. Famously “Fiddle Farting” with broken gadgets of all kinds, Jug figured out how to repair even the most advanced devices almost to the very end of his lovely life.

Many times, Jug confided to his children that God saved him, but he never knew why. It seems apparent now that God blessed us with a man that was truly kind into his soul. He was the most thoughtful, generous, and joyous husband, father, and grandfather we have known. Jug was simply a great man from our greatest generation. Our worlds are less without him, but we will all keep him deep in our hearts – always wrapped in that glorious pipe smoke. Visitation will be from 2:00 p.m. until the time of the 4:00 p.m. service on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee.

Cremation rites will be accorded following the service.

Inurnment will be at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, December 6, 2024, at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL.

Memorials may be made to family wishes.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
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Funeral Service

DEC 4. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JG

“ Will miss you Uncle Jug and I will never look at Splenda, apple juice, pudding and ice cream cups without a wonderful memory of our time together.

Jody Goering - December 02, 2024 at 06:19 PM

TS

“ What a wonderful tribute to Adlore! I didn't get to meet him, but feel like I know him after reading this. Thank you for sharing all these touching memories and giving me a chance to get to know him. My heart goes out to you, Steve and Kat. God bless.

Teri L Stults - November 27, 2024 at 12:35 PM

LB

“ Our sympathy to Steve and family! Your Dad was one of a kind. God bless..

Les and Pat Blanchette

Les Blanchette - November 26, 2024 at 08:31 PM

DL

“ Debra Lambert lit a candle in memory of Adlore "Jug" Joseph Lambert Jr



Debra Lambert - November 26, 2024 at 10:57 AM

ME

“ *He was a loving godfather to me. I will miss him and keep his and Gerry's memory in my heart forever .*

Merilyn - November 25, 2024 at 03:50 PM

SH

“ *He was a wonderful loving man! We will miss you Uncle Jug!*

Sharon - November 25, 2024 at 03:11 PM

KO

“ *The sweetest Uncle anyone could ask for. We all love you.💕💕*

Kathleen Lambert Olson - November 25, 2024 at 03:03 PM