



## Earl Hubert

May 10, 1933 - July 19, 2007

Earl Hubert -- Aroma Park Earl John "Earl J." Hubert, 74, of Aroma Park, died Thursday (July 19, 2007) at Mercer Medical Center of Northern Iowa, following a sudden illness. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday and from 10 a.m. Tuesday until the 11 a.m. services at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. Officiating will be Deacon Leon Fritz. Burial will be in L'Erable Cemetery. Pallbearers will be his grandsons, Marcus, Dustin, Tony, Tim and Chase Hubert, and Steven Regas, and his nephews, Jeff and Brian St. Aubin. Honorary pallbearers will be his granddaughters, McKinzie Hubert and Alyson Regas. In lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution may be made to Victory Junction Gang (a camp for kids with a terminal illness) in honor of Earl J.'s love of children and NASCAR racing. Earl J. was a past employee of Ropers and was with Local 383/422 Pipefitters union for 35 years. He was president of the Kankakee Valley Wanderers and was also a member of the Prairie Scooners. He volunteered as a baseball coach for seven years in which time he had a positive impact on many of his players and coaches alike. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was passionate about racing which he pursued for 20-plus years. Earl J. enjoyed traveling and camping with his loving wife Mary of 55 years and his numerous camping friends. He cherished his four children, who in return thought of him as not only a father, but also as a mentor and best friend. As a grandfather and great-grandfather, he believed in teaching the same ethics and values that he instilled in his own children. Surviving are his wife, the former Mary Louise

Brault, whom he married July 18, 1952, at St. Martins in Martinton; three sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Debbie Hubert of Buckingham, Bruce and Diane Hubert of Kankakee, Neal and Kristine Hubert of Aroma Park; one daughter, Nan Hubert-Regas of Kankakee; eight grandchildren, Marcus and Dustin Hubert, Tony and Tim Hubert, Steven and Alyson Regas, and McKinzie and Chase Hubert; three great-grandchildren, Bailey and Carter Hubert and Dugan Hubert. He is also survived by eight sisters, Deanna St. Aubin, Sharon Brough, Donna Franklin, Mary Ann Robinson, Charlene Muse, Debbie Hughes, Cheryl Leadingham, and Merissa Hubert; and seven brothers, Jerry, Mike, Butch, Jim, Donald, John and Bill Hubert. Deceased are his parents, Earl Sr. and Eleanor Hebert Hubert; two brothers, Thomas and Ray Hubert; and one sister, Janice Patnaude. He will be remembered by all as being warm-hearted, generous, and always leaving you with a smile or a laugh. He will be missed by all who knew him.

# Tribute Wall



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“ *When I heard the phrase "Earl Hubert's passing", I thought of a stock car track that many years ago turned back to weeds. ĩ½My brother and I spend many nights at Sugar Island Park watching Earl and his contemporaries making sliding left turns. It cost me at least one girlfriend, but in hindsight I think it was worth it.<br><br> ĩ½After cheering for Earl all night, we'd go down to the pits and talk to our hero - a gracious man who treated us like equals. ĩ½We decided at the time that Glenn Ford could have played him in a movie of his life.<br><br> ĩ½Speaking of Fords, the number of orange, red and yellow Mustangs I've owned over the last 40 years is a testament to the strong influence a stock car racer can have on an otherwise normal human being.<br><br> ĩ½I can only hope today's kids can be as lucky as I was to find a "hero". ĩ½Take your "rightful" position Earl.<br><br>##imported-begin##Paul Yohnka##imported-end##*

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“ Earl was a great driver in the 70's, but i will always remember how he smiled and surrounded himself with family and welcomed others as we was part of his family. My thoughts to the family. He will never be forgotten, even by a young boy who needed a hero or two growing up.##imported-begin##Dwight Traver##imported-end##

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“ I've had the pleasure of seeing Earl compete many times at the Kankakee Fairgrounds Speedway in the 1970s, although I've never met him. <br><br><br><br>Simply put, he was a giant—one of the most feared and respected drivers in the top (late model) division. <br><br><br><br>Earl would always give me—the fan—my money's worth. He was among the most determined, intense competitors I've ever seen; always giving it everything he had.<br><br><br><br>To his family: I am sorry for your loss, and wish you the best. <br><br>##imported-begin##David DalCason##imported-end##

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“ Sorry for your loss I'm a real good of the family.If there is anything I can do to help just let me know. Love all you guys. You all will be in our hearts and prayers.##imported-begin##Ken Mausehund And Family##imported-end##

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<br><br>Dear Hubert family,<br><br> ĩċ½It was a pleasure to have you folks support our stock car racing programs and the Illiana Clay Racing Club. ĩċ½I only wished I would have taken more time to thank you for your professionalism during those fun times.<br><br>Say goodbye for us to a fine gentleman and champion racer. ĩċ½I've always heard they have some of the smoothest and dust free clay speedways in heaven. ĩċ½We will all find out some day. ĩċ½TK###imported-begin##Ted Knorr & Family##imported-end##

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<br><br>Billy,<br><br>Sorry to hear about the passing of your brother. ĩċ½Since I don't live in town I have to rely on family and friends. ĩċ½Brother Gary forgot to mention this one to me. ĩċ½My father passed in August. ĩċ½My thoughts and prayers are with you and yours.<br><br>###imported-begin##Sheryl Mitchell Kupferer##imported-end##

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I'm so very sorry for your loss Aunt Mary. ĩċ½I heard about Uncle Earl's passing on Friday, July 20, from my brother David. ĩċ½Unfortunately, my family and I were heading out of town. ĩċ½Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.<br><br><br><br>God Bless###imported-begin##Leslie Ann Brault##imported-end##

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“ Mary and Family  
  
Ted and I were quite shocked to find about Earl's passing. ĩ½Our sympathies and prayers are with you all.  
  
Please know that Earl's smile and his way of joking with all of us when we were camping together will never be forgotten.  
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We wish that there was something that we could do personally, but we know that you are in good hands. ĩ½Please do let us know if there is anything, anything we can do for you!!.  
  
Pat and Ted###imported-begin##Ted andPat Taylor###imported-end##

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“ Dustin & Family: ĩ½We are very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. ĩ½God Bless!!###imported-begin##Corey & Melissa Pasel###imported-end##

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“ I am sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Hubert. My family and I have know him for many years. He was always such a nice person, and will be missed. ĩ½###imported-begin##Pat James###imported-end##

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“ SORRY TO HEAR OF THE LOSS OF EARL J.GROWING UP IN AROMA PARK AS YOUR FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR I CHERISH THE TIMES<br><br>RACING AND TRAVELING WITH ALL OF YOU.HE WAS A GREAT DRIVER AND A WONDERFUL PERSON.HOPEFULLY WE CAN ALL HAVE COMFORT HE IS IN A BETTER PLACE NOW.ETHEL AND I ARE SINCERLY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.WISH WE COULD BE THERE.WE WILL KEEP YOU ALL IN OUR PRAYERS.##imported-begin##RANDY & ETHEL LAMB##imported-end##

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“ *Mary&Family...We wish we could have been there with you.You are in our thoughts&prayers everyday.We have so many good memories and are so glad that every year we were able to see you all.We love you Mary, and Earl will always be in our hearts.<br><br>##imported-begin##Jim & Karen Hubert##imported-end##*

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with<br><br>you.##imported-begin##Jim and Ila Schultz##imported-end##*

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