



Henry E. Medler

December 24, 1925 - October 26, 2012

Henry Ellis Medler of St. Anne, died Friday (Oct. 26, 2012) surrounded by his loving family. He was 86. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home, St. Anne. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church of St. Anne. The Rev. Felipe Martinez will officiate.

Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township. Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of St. Anne.

Henry was born Dec. 24, 1925, in Barnhill, Ill. He was the youngest of six children of Henry and Mattie (Wiley) Medler. At age 16, Henry's family relocated to St. Anne, where he continued to live for the remainder of his life.

Henry served in World War II under Patton's command from 1944 to 1946. He then married Ethel L. Hanley on June 11, 1949. He owned and operated Medler Farm Drainage. Living a fruitful life, Henry was a racing enthusiast, enjoyed many rounds of golf, spending time at his pond, and enjoying his family. Henry never missed an opportunity to tell a joke or lend a helping hand. When not enjoying his hobbies, he served the community with great pride. He was an elder at First Presbyterian Church, St. Anne Village Board Trustee, and member of the America Legion Post 842, the Elks, Moose Lodge, Hundred Club, and Living Legends. He loved his family, friends and

community.

Surviving are his children, Deborah Cotton, of St. Anne, Gary Medler, of Chicago, and Brenda and Thomas Baird, of Kankakee; four grandchildren, Thomas and Sue Cotton, of St. Anne, Sara Cotton, of New York City, Nina Martin and James Martin, both of Chicago; and four great-grandchildren, Kadie and Connor Cotton, and Jordan and Mason Beaupre.

He was preceded in death by his wife; parents; four sisters, Ethel Felix, Leona Etheridge, Cecil McRill, and Helen Helms; a brother Leonard Medler; a son-in-law, Russell Cotton; and a grandson, Jonathon Martin.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church in St. Anne

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Anne - Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home
214 W. Sheffield
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

OCT **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
334 St. Louis Avenue
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 427-8430

Tribute Wall



“ Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Henry E. Medler



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - October 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "If love could have saved you" was purchased for the family of Henry E. Medler.



November 30, 2012 at 01:04 PM



“ Yvette Cowlshaw lit a candle in memory of Henry E. Medler



Yvette Cowlshaw - October 30, 2012 at 11:49 AM

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“ *What a truly WONDERFUL man. He will be missed greatly. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Cotton and Medler families.*

Edward & Casey Meier and Family

Edward Meier - October 30, 2012 at 08:55 AM

BB

“ *We are saddened to learn of Henry's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Sandra & Bob Bovie & Family

Bob Bovie - October 30, 2012 at 08:13 AM

JM

“ *Love and prayers from the McFatrige family. Henry was a wonderful man, whom I will dearly miss seeing in the pew in front of me on Sundays.*



Jennifer McFatrige - October 29, 2012 at 08:39 AM

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Dear Debbie, Gary and Brenda.

I spent many days at your home at a young child and have very fond memories of your sweet kind and gentle father.

I know you will miss him as much as I miss mine.

They were good friends and I am sure they are either bowling or maybe they have a tee time in heaven where the sun is always shining.

Sending my sincere sympathy to all of you.

Peggy Cyrier Duick

Peggy Duick (Cyrier) - November 05, 2012 at 06:41 PM