



Ralph L. Erickson

February 22, 1930 - December 5, 2011

Visitation for Ralph L. Erickson, 81, of Kankakee, formerly of Marion, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee, where funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday. The Rev. Steve Goodin will officiate.

Burial will be in the Limestone Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Asbury United Methodist Church or to the Miller Rehab Activity Department. He died Monday (Dec. 5, 2011) at the Miller Center in Kankakee.

Mr. Erickson was a farmer and worked in construction. He was born Feb. 22, 1930, in Kankakee, the son of Emil and Alice Pool Erickson. His wife, the former Dolores G. Morbitzer, whom he married Aug. 19, 1950, in Kankakee, passed away Jan. 9, 1996. He was an original member of the Limestone Township Fire Protection District. He was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church for more than 55 years and a member of Aldersgate Methodist Church in Marion for 22 years. He was a NASCAR fan and loved cattle.

Surviving are one daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Bill Tammen, of Bonfield; two sons and daughters-in-law, Glenn and Nancy Erickson, and Gene and Denise Erickson, all of Maysville, Mo.; grandchildren, Ashley Tammen and Kelsey Tammen, both of Bourbonnais, Scotti (Cory)

Charmasson, of El Reno, Okla., Jesse Erickson, of Franklin, Neb., Jodie (Cary) Bassett, of St. Joseph, Mo., Nicholas Erickson, Patricia Erickson and Tyler Erickson, all of Maysville, and Chris Cook, of Missouri; two great-grandchildren, Brantlie and Quinn Charmasson, of El Reno; one sister, Esther Meier, of Kankakee; one brother-in-law, Duane and Sandra Morbitzer, of Bonfield; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son, Leslie Erickson.

Cemetery Details

Limestone Cemetery

Route 113
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1764

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

DEC 10. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Ralph and Dolores--great friends and neighbors to my Mom and Dad. I'll always remember his wonderful smile! Praying the sense of God's presence to be very real to Glen, Carole, Gene and all extended family members. Ruby Lou (Salzman) Miller*

Ruby Lou Miller - December 29, 2011 at 10:49 AM

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“ *I have such fond memories as a child spending time with "The Ericksons"! Nights filled with laughter, card tables, games, Friday Night Horror Shows and falling asleep on that sofa with the horse tapestry overseeing everything.*

I send warmest regards and condolences to Glen, Carole and Gene and Ralph's extended family and thank you all for being a beautiful part of my childhood. I can hear your mom laughing and your dad turning red with laughter as they are now reunited.

*Much love to you all!
Mark Osenga*

Mark Osenga - December 12, 2011 at 09:34 AM

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“ I have always considered Ralph a true friend even though he was actually my dad's best friend. I will always remember his easy laugh, his patience with me and the fact that he was one of the only people who could give my dad a truly hard time when necessary and also laugh until his naturally red complexion was glowing and shining like a fire! I will always love you, Ralph and now, miss you until we meet again!

Wayne Osenga

Wayne Osenga - December 12, 2011 at 02:25 AM