



Reed Louis Lehnus

January 22, 1923 - December 1, 2014

Reed Louis Lehnus, age 91, of Kankakee, passed away on December 1, 2014 at Park Pointe Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center in Morris, IL. He was born on January 22, 1923 in Herscher to Leslie and Mabel (Sinclair) Lehnus. Reed married Alice Crawley in April 1946 and she preceded him in death in 2005. He was a longtime resident of Kankakee.

Reed graduated from Kankakee High School in 1941. He served overseas during WWII with the United States Army Air Corps. He was employed at General Foods as a maintenance mechanic and he was also a farmer in the 1950's in the Bonfield area. He was a member of the Kankakee American Legion. During his lifetime he gave several gallons of blood through the Red Cross of Kankakee. Reed was a long time member of St. Mark United Methodist Church in Kankakee.

Reed is survived by his son, Darwin (Mary) Lehnus of Mazon, IL; one daughter, Linda Lehnus Schneider of Casa Grande, AZ; two brothers, Marion Lehnus of Kankakee and Leslie Lehnus of Sun City, AZ; sister-in-law, Berdell O'Connor of Kankakee; 5 grandsons, Matthew Lehnus of Mazon, IL, Mark (Amy) Lehnus of Mazon, IL, Michael (Paula) Dahn of Jerseyville, IL, Eric (Danielle) Dahn of Naperville, IL and Kyle (Teri) Dahn of Bonfield, IL and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, one brother, Elwood Lehnus; three brothers-in-law, Herman Crawley, Kenneth Crawley and Marvin Crawley; sister-in-law, Evelyn Crawley Mehrer and son-in-law, Gerald Schneider.

Visitation will take place on Friday, December 5, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in West Kankakee. Another gathering time will take place on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Reed's funeral service at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Kankakee. Burial will immediately follow at Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township.

Memorials may be made to Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation and Kankakee Salvation Army.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

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

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 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

Visitation

DEC 6. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark United Methodist Church
1200 W. Calista
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-8621

Funeral Service

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-8621

Tribute Wall

KB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I am in Kankakee right now since I lost my parents and was planning on visiting reed while I was here. I remember the many family luncheons with your father he was very special..so sorry to hear about your loss.Kathy Bradley John and Vera Geiswhite's daughter*

Kathy Bradley - December 07, 2014 at 01:55 AM

BN

“ *Bill & Phyllis Nemitz lit a candle in memory of Reed Louis Lehnus*



Bill & Phyllis Nemitz - December 06, 2014 at 08:30 AM

BN

Darwin, Linda & families.....extending deepest sympathy to you and your family. May memories of your dad bring peace to your heart. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bill & Phyllis Nemitz - December 06, 2014 at 08:47 AM

PO

“ Dear Darwin and Linda,

*I'm so sorry to hear about your father's death. I knew he had been pretty ill recently but was hoping for a chance to visit him later this month when I will be in Illinois for Christmas. I always enjoyed seeing him and will always remember how faithful he was in going to see your mother almost every day when she was in the nursing home. I will keep you and your families in my thoughts and prayers. Take care,
Pat O'Connor*

Pat O'Connor - December 04, 2014 at 08:11 PM

JL

“ *I was giving blood to the Red Cross and was thinking about stopping and noticed Reed on the wall with the announcement that he had given 22 gallons and realized that I could not make that mark but it challenged me to keep giving. I gave 3 gallons before being diagnosed with diabetes thus I had to stop. I have always been very proud of his military service. I still brag about it. I will be at funeral with my Mom and Dad and daughter.
Joann Lambert*

Joann Lambert - December 03, 2014 at 08:18 PM

CW

“ *Carl Wells lit a candle in memory of Reed Louis Lehnus*



carl wells - December 03, 2014 at 07:21 PM

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