



## Vernon L. Dams

July 28, 1931 - December 14, 2010

Visitation for Vernon L. Dams, 79, of Kankakee, will be from 9 a.m. Monday until the 11 a.m. funeral services at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 975 Brookmont Blvd., Bradley, where he was a member. Pastor Patty Heath will officiate. Burial will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to help support the troops in Afghanistan. He died Tuesday (Dec. 14, 2010) at Riverside Medical Center. Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee, is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Dams was a truck driver with more than four million miles accident- and ticket-free. He retired from Custom Blended Oil Co. He had worked at Kroehler Manufacturing and REA Express. He was born July 28, 1931, in Zeeland, Mich., the son of Lawrence and Anna Kamphius Dams. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving during the Korean conflict on a crash and rescue squadron. He received three Bronze Stars. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, traveling and open-wheel racing. He was a history buff.

Surviving are his wife, the former Arlene Hofer, of Kankakee, whom he married April 15, 1955, at Calvary Lutheran Church, Watseka; two sons and daughters-in-law, Glen P. and Marsha Dams, of Lexington, Tenn., Gregory A. and Barbara Dams, of Kankakee; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; his mother of Zeeland; and three sisters and brothers-in-law, Shirley and Jack Lowe, of Holland, Mich., Betty and Ed D'Oyly, of Grand Haven, Mich., Yvonne and Ron Weener, of Holland, Mich. He was preceded in

death by his father and infant daughter, Barbara Ann.

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 20. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran  
975 W. Brookmont Blvd.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-1848  
<http://www.oursaviorlutheran.info/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran  
975 W. Brookmont Blvd.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-1848  
<http://www.oursaviorlutheran.info/>

## Graveside Service

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DEC **20**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery  
20953 Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Tribute Wall

 Elaine Williams

“ So sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of Vernon. May God Bless You. Elaine Williams

Elaine Williams - December 29, 2010 at 08:07 PM

BK

“ Please accept our most heart felt sympathy at the lost of Vern. May the love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and console you during this period of your life. Friends of Paulette.

Bill Connie Kain - December 17, 2010 at 08:57 AM

BK

“ Bill Connie Kain lit a candle in memory of Vernon L. Dams



Bill Connie Kain - December 17, 2010 at 08:52 AM

PW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was a good man and made others around him happy. God's Blessings to your family. Peggy W



Peggy Wilhoyt - December 16, 2010 at 09:42 PM

RF

“ *Uncle Vern was such a generous, caring man. He did so much for others without wanting anything in return and always with a smile on his face. It was always a delight to see him and spend time with him. He will be missed by so many and remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.*

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**Rick Cindy Nystrom & Family** - December 16, 2010 at 08:53 PM

KF

“ *Kim & Debra Collings & Family lit a candle in memory of Vernon L. Dams*



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**Kim & Debra Collings & family** - December 16, 2010 at 11:34 AM

KF

*Uncle Vern will truly be missed. He was a caring man to his family and I will always remember going to his home and how he was such a great host.*

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**Kim & Debra Collings & family** - December 16, 2010 at 11:39 AM



*Arlene and family,  
You have my deepest sympathy. Hope you are well. You are in my prayers. God bless you.*

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**JoAnn LeVeque** - December 19, 2010 at 09:50 AM