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Ervin Handel, 84

Aug. 30, 1924 - Jan. 6, 2009

GRAYVILLE, IL — Ervin E. Handel, 84, of Grayville, IL, died Tuesday, January 6, 2009, at Meadowood Nursing Home in Grayville. He was born August 30, 1924, in Dubuque, the son of Emil Otto and Violet Rose (Oneyear) Handel.

Ervin was married to Mary Louise Callan and she preceded him in death on April 11, 1979.

July 5, 1980, Ervin married Mary (Carter) Judge and she survives. Ervin worked in the automobile business, farmed, and later worked in the FS System until he retired in 1986. He was a World War II Army Veteran and recipient of five battle stars. He was a member of the VFW, American

Legion, Grayville Chamber of Commerce, Grayville Community Arts Association, the Grayville Churchmen's Association, and the Grayville United Methodist Church.

Ervin is preceded in death by his parents, Emil and Violet Handel; his first wife, Mary Louise Handel; his son, Barry Handel; and two brothers, Wayne and Roger Handel. Survivors include his wife, Mary of Grayville; two sons and their wives, Randy and Donna Handel of Effingham, IL, and Kent and Karen Handel of Onalaska, WI; a step-son, Mike Judge and his wife Debbie of Grayville; a step-daughter, Teresa Mitchell and her husband Joe of Grayville; a sister, Vera Vanhook of Lafayette, IN; 11 grandchildren, Tara (Joel) Weinhold, Jennifer Handel, Lorelei (Todd) Rushing, Johnny Clabaugh, Ashley Handel, Erin Handel, Heather Handel, Erica Mitchell, Kerri Mitchell, Cole Judge and Sequoyah Judge; and three great-grandchildren, Kyle, Lindsey, and Jason Weinhold.

Visitation and funeral services were held Thursday, January 8, 2009, at the United Methodist Church in Grayville, IL. Visitation was at 9 am and continued until funeral time at 11 am. Military rites were conducted by the VFW and American Legion Color Guard. Visitation was at 12 pm and burial at 1 pm, Friday, January 9, 2009, in Linwood Cemetery in Dubuque. Memorials may be made to either the Grayville United Methodist Church or the Grayville Senior Citizens and will be accepted at Cook Funeral Chapel in Grayville who is in charge of all arrangements.



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