

Arnold Murray, 87 ✓

Nov. 30, 1928 - March 20, 2016

HARLAN — Arnold Rae

Murray was born on November 30, 1928 to Martin "Dale" and Edith (Guss) Murray in Polk Township, Shelby County. He attended the Irwin Community Schools and graduated with the Class of 1946.

March 5, 1949, Rae was united in marriage to Elinor Jensen at the United Methodist Church in Irwin. Together they began farming around the Irwin area and raised four children: Eileen, Gail, Lyla, and Brian. After farming for thirty-four years, Rae and Elinor moved to Harlan. He began working at Western Engineering where he retired from in 2004.

He enjoyed reading western books, watching old western movies and television shows, camping, playing cards, traveling to Branson, MO to watch Boxcar Willie shows, and spending time at the casinos. Rae died on Sunday, March 20, 2016 at Elm Crest Retirement Community having attained the age of eighty-seven years, three months, and twenty days.

Rae was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Elinor in 2011, daughter Eileen Owens, and son Brian. He is survived by his daughters Gail Murray of Omaha, NE and Lyla and her husband Michael Smith of Irwin; seven grandchildren: Matthew Owens, Shannon Owens, Dena Lucci, Beckie Greer, Travis Smith, Jeremy Smith, and Allen Smith; twelve great-grandchildren; brothers: Walter Murray and his wife June of Irwin, Dale "Junior" Murray of Harlan, and James Murray of Manning; other family members and friends.

Pastor Donna Ewert officiated the 10:30 a.m. funeral service on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan. Serving as casket bearers were Travis Smith, Jeremy Smith, Allen Smith, James Nelsen, Matt Owens, and Shannon Owens. Burial was held at Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin.



Pauley Jones
FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION

(712) 755-3135 • (800) 831-6805

www.pauleyjones.com

Baldwin at 9th, Harlan, IA

1304 N. Sawmill Rd., Avoca, IA