



Donald L. Burris

April 22, 1927 - July 12, 2010

Donald L. Burris passed away at 12:05 a.m. Monday, July 12, 2010, at his residence in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, 2010, at Pettett Funeral Home with Rev. Darrell Neathery and Rev. Gary Darnell officiating with burial at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Donald was born on April 22, 1927, in Granite City, Illinois and raised in Pomona, to Loren Elgin Burris and Bessie (McRoberts) Burris.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1945 to 1947

He first started working for the railroad and then worked for SIU at Carbondale in the custodial department before he retired in 1988.

Mr. Burris joined Mt. Carbon Christian Church in Murphysboro on February 24, 1963. He was ordained a deacon of the church on June 21, 1964, and he was still serving as deacon.

Donald enjoyed building wooden model trains.

Mr. Burris was a man of few words and many friends.

Donald married Georgia Hagler on September 10, 1949, in Murphysboro, and she preceded him in death on January 8, 2008.

He is survived by two children and their spouses Wayne and Jeanne Burris and Sandra and Steve Mileur, all of Murphysboro;

three grandchildren Ginseng Mileur and Eli Mileur, both of Murphysboro, and Bobby Milton and his wife Tiffany of Banger, Maine;

one brother Forrest Burris of Granite City, IL; one sister Wilma Charles of Carbondale; and his three sister in laws;

and lots of nieces of nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers Raymond Burris and Bobby Burris, and his parents.

The family of Donald Burris would like to thank the staff at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital for their special care that they gave to Donald during the times that he was at the hospital.

Tribute Wall

SA

“ *Miss you.*



Sandy - July 10, 2025 at 12:36 AM



“ *Donald L. Burris*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM

CW

“ *Uncle Donald was a great man. Kind and generous... and true to the marrow. My life is full of memories of Uncle Donald and Aunt Georgia... aka Uncle Hershel and Aunt Sophia. I am a better person because of them, their standards and teachings. Wayne and Sandy, my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Coletta Wright - July 21, 2010 at 09:38 AM

SS

“ *WE ARE SO SORRY FOR THE PASSING OF MR. BURRIS, WE LEARNED TO LOVE HIM, HE WAS A WONDERFUL PATIENT, HE NEVER COMPLAINED AND ALWAYS HAD A SMILE. WE KNOW HE'S WITH THE ANGELS NOW AND WILL NEVER HAVE TO HAVE ANOTHER BLOOD COUNT OR TRANSFUSION. LOVE THE LAB STAFF*

SJMH HOSPITAL LAB STAFF - July 15, 2010 at 01:14 PM

EC

“ We wish to extend our condolences on your loss of Don. He was a fine man who we have known all of our lives. We will miss having him as our neighbor.

Ed & Patty Cripps - July 13, 2010 at 10:19 AM

MT

“ Sandy and Wayne,
You are in our thoughts and prayers. Your father was a good man and will be missed by many.
Sincerely,
The Terry's

Mike and Janet Terry - July 13, 2010 at 05:57 AM

JG

“ Dear Uncle Donald, I know we haven't seen each other much over the past few years, but I always liked going to your house during our summer vacations. I remember helping you try to chase away all the black birds from your garden and going to Dairy Queen for ice cream. You were always one of my favorite uncles. I will miss you.

JudyAnn

Judy Ann Griffin=Hall - July 13, 2010 at 03:42 AM