



Fred Moyers

September 20, 1923 - August 13, 2020

Fred Moyers, 96, of Mounds passed away at 8:10 AM on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at his daughter's home in Marion.

He was born September 20, 1923 in Mound City, to Thomas Oren and Lena Irena (Hayden) Moyers. He married Helen Tally on February 6, 1943.

Fred was inducted into the Army on March 2, 1943. From March 1943 to May 1944, Fred trained to be a soldier and also trained to be an engineer and top turret gunner on a B-26 Air Force bomber. He took gunnery training at Fort Myers, Florida and airplane mechanic school at Goldsboro, North Carolina.

On May 10, 1944 Fred departed for England, arriving on May 20, 1944. He joined the 9th Air Force 394 Bomb Group, 587 Bomb Squadron in England to prepare for the Normandy Invasion. Their first targets were v-weapon sites, bridges, airdromes, and gun emplacements.

On D-Day, June 6, 1944, they bombed gun positions at Cherbough, afterwards striking communications, fuel supplies and strong points in support of the Normandy Campaign.

They took part in the "Battle of the Bulge" in December 1944 to January 1945. Fred flew over enemy Germany for 8 months and then was shot down on his

45th mission and lived with the Germans for 3 months.

His battle and campaign ribbons were: European Africa Middle East Ribbon with 4 bronze stars, 2 overseas service bars, air medal, and 6 oak leaf clusters. Fred was honorably discharged from the service on September 6, 1945.

After his service, Fred became a certified Entomologist. He worked for Union Carbide for 17 years and was the owner and operator of Moyers Termite Control. He also held the position of Pulaski County Circuit Clerk until his retirement. Fred was also a licensed Real Estate Agent in Illinois and Missouri. He always loved learning about new things. He was a lifetime member of 75+ years at the VFW in Mounds and a board member of the Mounds First United Methodist Church.

Fred is survived by his wife, Helen; daughter, Emily Jiran of Marion; son, Brian (Ronna) Moyers of Mounds; granddaughters, Jaymie Nunnery of Mt. Vernon, Racheal Robison of St. Louis, MO, Sarah McLemore of Franklin, TN; grandson, Christian Howell of Marion; great grandchildren, Brian Nunnery and Eli Nunnery both of Mt. Vernon, Jack McLemore, Luke McLemore, Andrew McLemore, and Kate McLemore all of Franklin, TN, Ellie Howell of Marion; many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Gladys Louise Smith.

Visitation will be held from 10:00am to 12:00pm on Monday, August 17, 2020 at Mounds First United Methodist Church. Funeral services will begin at 12:00pm on Monday at the church with Pastor Doug Atkins officiating. Interment will follow at Mound City National Cemetery with military honors provided by the Illinois honor guard and local veterans.

Groups of 50 people at a time will be allowed in to pay their respects. Those attending the visitation and funeral service are requested to observe customarily accepted social distancing procedures. All attendees are reminded that, in accordance with recently announced State of Illinois guidelines, masks or face coverings are required in public spaces.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mounds First United Methodist Church. Envelopes will be provided at the church.

Cemetery Details

Mound City National Cemetery

Mound City, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

United Methodist Church
Mounds, IL

Service

AUG 17. 12:00 PM (CT)

United Methodist Church
Mounds, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Fred Moyers*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Benita B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Fred Moyers.*



Benita B. - October 31, 2020 at 09:45 AM



“ *Hi Family, I took care of Freds Mother Lena Moyers at Union County N.H., He would come to see her, a quiet man,then dont think he enjoyed coming to visit his Momma, they are not the same as we all want them to be.... I wish I had known more about him,at that time.. his journey in life, I cant say THANK YOU and Honor him in away he should have been, but I THANK EACH OF YOU, PRAYERS FOR COMFORT AND PEACE... FLY HIGH, FRED JOB WELL DONE...*

Jean Pind - August 20, 2020 at 06:27 PM

MT

“ *Brian and Ronna,
So sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed seeing Fred, he was so great to talk with.
We have each lost a parent in the last year, with all three of them living a long and full life. I forget that Fred was the oldest of the three.
You and the rest of Fred's family are in my prayers today.*

Mark Taake

Mark Taake - August 17, 2020 at 11:01 AM

DB

“ *I remember the MYF going to Glenn's Restaurant after Sunday night church and also Fred and Helen taking the MYF camping at Dixon Springs Park. Fred always was the Christian example. Love you Fred.*

Dr. Dan Bowlin

Dr. Dan Bowlin - August 16, 2020 at 07:23 PM

JH

“ *Helen, I have always had a spot in my heart for you and Fred. Many are the times that brother Bill and I hit your house playing baseball against our front steps with a tennis ball. I don't think you ever complained, at least that I can remember. Shirley and i express our sympathy,*

Jim and Shirley Hase

Jim Hase - August 16, 2020 at 07:09 PM

CL

“ My sympathy are with all of you. I am unable to come to service. Helen you and Fred were so good to led youth when my two were young. I remember going to a Illinois governor’s inauguration in a snow storm.

charlene jenkins linn - August 16, 2020 at 04:37 PM

BB

“ Helen, Emily & Brian and family: My sympathy to all of you. I'm sorry to say I had lost touch with you after all these years. Fred was certainly a fine man, and all of you were special to us when Earl was pastor at Mounds. Bryan lives at Carterville, Aaron is in rural Marion, and Melanie lives a few miles from me in Metropolis. Benita Black

Benita Black - August 15, 2020 at 07:25 AM

LW

“ I grew up with their son Brian and spent many memorable times at the Moyers household. They were such a loving family and never knew a stranger Fred and Helen always were good to me and all of Brian’s friends. He will be missed May he Rest In Peace 🙏🙏🙏

Lynda (Von Nida) Winfrey - August 14, 2020 at 10:28 PM

MC

“ Morrissa Clanahan lit a candle in memory of Fred Moyers



Morrissa Clanahan - August 14, 2020 at 07:06 PM

JS

“ Mr. Fred was a wonderful person and a friend to everyone he ever met. He and my Dad we’re great friends. He will be missed by many. My deepest sympathy to Mrs. Helen, Brian, Emily and the entire family. May God’s Comfort be with you all. My prayers will be to have tears replaced by smiles at the memories of MR. Fred and the impact he had on so many.

Jeff Shumaker - August 14, 2020 at 04:57 PM

BN

“ Beverly N. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Fred Moyers.



Beverly N. - August 14, 2020 at 12:38 PM

CG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. It was an honor to know such a kind, generous, faithful person as Fred. He always had time for everyone. He and Helen were an inspiration to all of us who knew them.

Carol and Randy George - August 14, 2020 at 12:34 PM

LF

“ Thinking of each of you at this difficult time. Remembering growing up knowing your family, and your Dad and mine working and serving at church. May God carry you in His Hands during this difficult time. Linda Doane Fulk

Linda Doane Fulk - August 14, 2020 at 10:42 AM

KK

Brian and Ronna, so sorry for your loss. I know times like these are tough without something like COVID-19 hindering things, but I know someone who is bigger than all things Who will grant you peace, hope and understanding and fill your void with the memories of Fred. With this your dad will always be with you. I remember working at the courthouse as Director of Pulaski County Ambulance Service when your dad was there. I thought a lot of your dad as a man of integrity, honesty and a man of God. I'm sorry I wasn't able to be at the visitation, know my heart was with you both and know I love you both. May God bless and guide you during this time and forever.

kyle kern - August 18, 2020 at 02:16 AM