



Fred Staples

February 17, 1930 - February 7, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Fred Staples

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CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – EGYPTIAN MEMORIAL GARDENS

3208 South Park Avenue, Energy, Illinois

Fred Staples, age 93, of Marion, Illinois, passed away Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at Manor Court in Carbondale, Illinois.

He was born on February 17, 1930 to Oliver and Jane E. (Woodard) Staples in Covell, Illinois. Fred married the love of his life, Betty J. Crabtree on January 23, 1953 and together they spent many beloved years together until her passing.

Fred went to Middletown Elementary School and graduated from Bloomington High School. He worked at Highland Animal Hospital for 63 years, and part-time at People's Bank in Bloomington, IL. He loved to play and watch basketball, fish, play card games. He was the best Dad, Grandpa, Great Grandpa, Son, Brother, Uncle, Cousin and friend. He never met a stranger, and made friends easily. He is remembered with love.

Fred is survived by his children Ricky Staples of Norris, TN, Brenda (Dennis) Harmon of Marion, IL, Tommy (Loretta) Staples of Hudson, IL, grandchildren, Julie Staples, Kyle Kemnetz, Kari Kemnetz (Larry Krisher), Jenna (Blake) Beitz, Sadee (James) Barbic, Ryan Kemnetz (Kaileen Joritz), Troy Kemetz (Kaila Gaither), great-grandchildren, Bryson, Brantley, Braelynn Staples, and Tucker Beitz.

Along with his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Ruth and Helen, four brothers, Charles, Sam, James, John, One infant Son.

There will be a private funeral service held for Fred Staples.

Entombment will be at East Lawn Memorial Gardens, 1102 Airport Rd., Chapel of Memories, Bloomington, IL 61704.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorials be made to the Carlock Fire Department, 200 N. Lincoln St., Carlock, IL 61725, where he lived most of his adult life.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ Fred started taking care of our dog at Highland Animal Hospital when we were first married and lived in Bloomington. We moved to Carlock soon after and still didn't realize he was our neighbor! When we think of Fred, we'll always remember his big smile, his sense of humor, his generosity, and his devotion to Betty. We'd always make time to visit when we were both outside putzing around our yards. Our sympathies to all of his family . . .
Greg and Jane Randall

Jane Randall - February 14, 2024 at 09:31 AM

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“ Always loved when Uncle Freddie and aunt Betty visited with dad and us, in Tennessee. My sincere condolences for the family and friends.



Evelyn Crabtree - February 09, 2024 at 10:28 AM

JK

I've known Freddie or many years. First, when in lived in the country just down the road from us and then when he and Elnore just lived down the street from my mom, Mable Reum and I. I miss him now that he doesn't stop by to chat or just to help out with something. He was a sweet man always thinking of others.
You have my sympathy
Joyce Kessinger

Joyce Kessinger - October 12, 2024 at 10:37 PM