



Gene Ottesen

December 17, 1929 - August 28, 2022

IN MEMORY OF:
GENE OTTESEN

Serving Location:
CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME
31 Memorial Drive (Old Route 13), Murphysboro, Illinois

Gene Ottesen, age 92 of Carbondale, passed away, Sunday, August 28, 2022 in Memorial Hospital of Carbondale.

He was born December 17, 1929 in Carbondale to Willard and Erna (Reutter) Ottesen.

On September 1, 1950 he married Helen Culley. They have shared almost 72 years of making wonderful lasting memories.

Gene owned and operated Ottesen Mobile Homes for 25 years.

He loved making duck decoys and was an avid collector of decoys and coins (numismatics). He loved hunting ducks, geese and all waterfowl. He enjoyed golfing at the Jackson County Country Club. He was a member of the Elks in Carbondale.

Gene is survived by his loving wife, Helen of Carbondale; his children, Nancy (Craig) George of St. Charles, MO; Scott (Kitty) Ottesen of Bradenton, FL; Mark Ottesen of Carbondale and Patrick Ottesen of Corvallis, OR; grandchildren, Jennifer (Benjamin) Ketring of Point Arena, CA; Brooke Ottesen of Ft. Worth, TX; Matthew Ketring of Portland, OR; Bryan Ottesen of Grove, OK; Christopher George of St. Charles, MO; Andrew Ottesen of Wilmington, NC; Lux Ottesen and Eero Ottesen, both of Kansas City, MO; 6 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; a brother, William John Ottesen of Centerville, TN; other relatives and a host of friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a son, Chris Culley Ottesen.

Services were private for Gene Ottesen. A private burial was in Pleasant Grove Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Easterseals. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
crain@crainsonline.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Gene Ottesen*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *My condolences to the family. I used to babysit for Brooke and Brian when they were little and would sometimes go to the Ottesen's home and swim with them in their pool. They were always very kind and welcoming. God bless you all. Noralee (Stearns) Ellis*

Noralee Ellis - September 06, 2022 at 09:48 PM



“ *Many memories of Gene & the family. Gene & my brother Raymond Lybarger were scouts together. We were all Presbyterians together. Raymond is 91 & doing well. Praying God's blessings on your family. Carol Lybarger Klarr*



Carol Lybarger Klarr - September 02, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Division 6 - Sun Communities TEAM purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Gene Ottesen.*



Division 6 - Sun Communities TEAM - August 31, 2022 at 05:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gene Ottesen.*



August 31, 2022 at 11:04 AM



“ *John and Donna Watkins & Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Gene Ottesen.*



John and Donna Watkins & Family - August 31, 2022 at 09:24 AM