



Leslie Guy "Dead Eye" Jones

October 24, 1927 - September 26, 2015

Leslie Guy "Dead-Eye" Jones, 87, of Marion, died at 9:30am Saturday, September 26, 2015 at home.

He was born October 24, 1927 in Marion the son of Guy and Nellie May (Collins) Jones. He married Beverly Rixie in 1954. On April 16, 1987 he married Margaret Hinkle and she survives.

Leslie was retired from United States Postal Service after 20 years of service at the Carbondale location. He was a retired school bus driver for Marion Unit #2 and served in the United States Navy. Leslie was an avid golfer and loved horse racing.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Jones of Marion; daughters, Terry (Fred) Asbury of DuQuoin, Tracy (Greg) Hays Gibson of Carbondale, Julie (Bill) Gregory of Johnston City, Darlene Jones of Jackson Hole, WY; step-sons, Mike (Paulette) Herron of Galatia, Scott (Heather) Herron of Decatur; step-daughter, Laura (Mark) Buettner of Newburg, IN; 4 grandchildren, Lesley Thompson, John Hays, Samantha Gregory, Jacob Hays; 5 great grandchildren; niece, Carol Sonnicksen Suppes of Chicago.

Leslie is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Beverly Sonnicksen.

Visitation will be Tuesday, September 29, 2015 from 12:00PM to 2:00PM at Crain Funeral Home Egyptian Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00PM Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at the funeral home. Entombment will follow at Egyptian Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Memorials may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project and will be accepted at the funeral home.

To leave online condolences please visit www.crainsonline.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Leslie Guy "Dead Eye" Jones*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *The Great Depression failed to provide many toys for us kids, and although "Dead Eye" never taught me how to shoot, he did teach me a host of other things--the most important of which were the "solo" games he developed to replace those missing dimestore toys.*

I spent many of the years which followed playing baseball with dice, ordinary playing cards, a cheap cardboard "all-star" game featuring Babe Ruth (among other batting heroes of the time) and even a pinball-type toy called "Push 'Em Up Big Five." (How could a child ever forget a ball-bearing game with a name like that?)

I know that Les had hundreds of friends in Marion and many more around Little Egypt and that he was especially well liked by most every one of them. He was also exceptionally good at competitive sports, having earned his nickname the same way he earned everything else. He excelled.

In spite of the fact we eventually drifted apart, I will never forget my "teacher," my "older" cuz and one of my bestest of friends.

*Lanny Collins Herlan
Springfield, Illinois*

Lanny Collins Herlan - September 28, 2015 at 12:31 PM

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“ Mike and Paulette Herron, Mark and Laura Buettner and Scott purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Leslie Guy "Dead Eye" Jones.



Mike and Paulette Herron, Mark and Laura Buettner and Scott - September 28, 2015 at 11:02 AM