



Ralph Ernest Hale

December 11, 1932 - May 6, 2015

Ralph Ernest "Ernie" Hale, died Wednesday, May 6, 2015.

Ernie was born Dec. 11, 1932, in rural Carbondale. He was the son of Ernest Alfred Hale and Rose Elizabeth (Ballard) Hale.

He was married to Ethel Mae (Smith) Hale on Sept. 20, 1954, who preceded him in death Feb. 5, 2013.

One son, James Michael Hale of Helotes, Texas, survives him.

He was preceded in death by both his parents; his wife; and son, David Barry Hale.

Ernie is also survived by one brother, Herbert Jesse Hale of Carterville, and one sister, Juanita Mae (Hale) Bradley of Marion.

Ernie was also preceded in death by six siblings, Thomas Jefferson Hale, Doris Maxine (Hale) Bates, James Delbert Hale, Charles Eugene Hale, Donald Ray Hale, and Phyllis Gene (Hale) Cox and two half siblings, Louis Hale and Frances (Hale) Sarafin.

Survivors also include one granddaughter, Jana Christine (Hale) Trousdale

and one grandson, Thomas James Hale; and one great-grandson, John Walker Trousdale.

Ernie was a veteran of the Korean War and served with the 5th Regimental Combat Team as a machine gunner.

He worked as a construction worker and truck driver until 1965 when he was employed by the U.S. Department of Justice, where he retired from in 1985. He was employed with the Dallas Scottish Rite until 1996 as property manager. Ernie was a Mason in good standing with the Seagoville Masonic Lodge, Seagoville, Texas, a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason at Dallas Scottish Rite Temple, Dallas, Texas.

A Graveside Service for Ralph "Ernie" Hale will be Friday, July 10, 2015 at 10:00 am, with the Rev. Tommy Monroe officiating at Murdale Gardens of Memory, where his cremains will be inurned by his wife, Ethel Mae and his son, David Barry. Full military honors will be accorded.

Family and Friends are ask to go directly to the cemetery.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Murdale Gardens of Memory

137 Murdale Gardens Rd
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Ernest Hale*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Earnie's passing so many months later. I was one of Earnieas neighbors for about 10 years and he was a very good friend.*

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