



Tony Clifford Hails

July 12, 1918 - June 27, 2006

MURPHYSBORO: Tony Clifford Hails, age 87, of Murphysboro, passed away at 2:20 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at his son's home in Gig Harbor, Washington.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 3, 2006, at Mt. Catherine Christian Church at Woodlawn, IL, with Pastor John Schnautz officiating and burial at Mt. Catherine Cemetery, with military services conducted at the cemetery.

Friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro, and from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to your local hospice.

Tony was born on July 12, 1918, in Woodlawn, IL, to John Douglas Hails and Mohsea (Pitchford) Hails.

He married Marilyn Cunningham on January 31, 1942, in Huntsville, AL, and she preceded him in death on May 16, 2004.

He was a World War II Army veteran, serving from December of 1940 to September 30, 1945, in the 33rd division of the 130th Infantry. He had served in the South Pacific, where he was awarded the Silver Star and two Bronze Battle Stars during the Philippine Campaign.

Mr. Hails was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge # 159, American Legion Post # 127, V.F.W. Post # 7190, and the Carbon Lake Club.

He had worked for the Illinois Central Railroad as a store keeper.

Survivors include two sons and their wives Paul and Kim Hails of Gig Harbor,

WA and Mark and Mary Hails of Evansville, IN

eight grandchildren Kenny Hails and his wife Angela, Eric Hails, Donald Budden, David Budden, Gary Schemel, Greg Schemel and his wife Joni, and Dawn Byron and her husband Jack;

five great grandchildren Marissa Byron, Kaylah Byron, Hailee Byron, Kayla Schemel and Dylan Schemel;

two sisters Fern Moore and Ora Thurness and her husband Harold of the Woodlawn area.

He was preceded in death by four sisters, four brothers, and his parents.

Tribute Wall



“ *Tony Clifford Hails*

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