



Victor L. Lyerla

June 3, 1926 - May 24, 2009

Victor L. Lyerla, age 82, of Murphysboro, passed away at 12:30 a.m. Sunday, May 24, 2009, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, June 1, 2009, at Pettett Funeral Home with Rev. Shaker Samuel officiating and burial with military services conducted by the American Legion Post # 127, V.F.W. Post # 7190 and 2605, and the Jackson County D.A.V. Chapter # 69. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday and until 10:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Masonic Services will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Elks Crippled Children or for an educational funds to be established for Vic's grandchildren and great granddaughter. For more information, please visit our website at www.pettettfuneralhome.com.

Victor was born on June 2, 1926, in Alexander County, Illinois, to Milas Omer Lyerla and Nora Lea (Edmunds) Lyerla.

He served during World War II in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Lyerla had worked at the former Montgomery Ward in Murphysboro, and then worked at Sears as a Department Manager. He was the former owner of the Murphysboro Fence Company, which was bought out and he then was the manager of Pyramid Fence Company in Carbondale.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Murphysboro, he had been a mason for 60 years, and he was a member of the American Legion Post # 127. He is a member of the Elk's Lodge, which was very important to him, because when Vic was born with a cleft palate, and he was one of the first recipients of medical treatment from the Elk's Crippled Children to have surgery to fix his cleft palate.

Vic married Chona McClure in 1964, in Vienna, Illinois, and she preceded him in death on September 13, 1988.

He is survived by two children Barbara Hughes and her husband Jim Hughes, and Douglas Lyerla and his wife Amy Lyerla, all of Murphysboro;

three grandchildren Todd Hughes, Morgan Victoria Lyerla and Anthony Joseph Lyerla, all of Murphysboro;

and one brother Collin Lyerla and his wife Ethelene Lyerla of Anna.

He was preceded in death by four brothers Paul L. Lyerla, A. E. "Gene" Lyerla, Milas Lyerla, and Russell Lyerla, three sisters Geneva Williams, Kathryn Rhamey, and Evelyn Talbott; and his parents.

Tribute Wall



“ *Victor L. Lyerla*

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“ *We wanted to let you know that you have our greatest sympathy, and our hearts are truly saddened. Vic was like part of our family and we know his passing leaves a void in many lives. We are keeping you in our prayers and you already know we are here if you need anything.*

Jan and Ron

Jan Draper - May 26, 2009 at 10:35 AM