



# Dale Eckel

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**D**ale Edward Eckel of Decatur, IL, joined his dear wife in God's arms on April 5, 2018 at McKinley Court, Decatur.

Dale was born August 27, 1925 in Lake City, IL, the son of Leah Irene (Weaver) and Everett Glenn Eckel.

He was a World War II Veteran from 1943-1946, assigned to the US Army Combat Engineers.

He married Joy Louise Hawkins on March 30, 1947, in Kansas, IL. They were married for 68 years.

He was a founding member of Maranatha Assembly of God.

He retired from J.C. Penney.

Dale is survived by his daughters, Sharon LeCates of Decatur, Marilyn Burton (Lester) of Charleston; grandchildren, Thomas Burton (Sarah), Sarah Rowe (Randy), Nathan Burton (Dawn), Megan LeCates; Larry Huckile; great grandchildren Zachary Burton, Sasha Perryman (Trey), Stephanie Rowe (Eric Oestreich), Christina and James Huckile, Robert and Aaron LeCates; Alexis, Liam, Jack, Owen Burton, and great-great grandson Corbin Slaymaker.

He was reunited in Heaven with his parents; wife Louise; son Edward Eckel; son-in-law Lee LeCates; brother Robert Eckel; Grandchildren Terry LeCates and Linda (LeCates) Huckile.

Visitation will be from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Monday, April 9, 2018 at Moran & Goebel Funeral Home. Funeral services to celebrate Dale's life will be 10:00 AM Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at the funeral home with Rev. Doug Lowery officiating. Burial to follow at Marrow Bone Township Cemetery in Bethany, IL.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Maranatha Assembly of God.

The family would like to thank, Dr. Kola, Dr. Mahmood, Dr. Kureishy and the staff of



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McKinley Court for the excellent care he received.

Condolences may be left to Dale's family at [www.moranandgoebel.com](http://www.moranandgoebel.com).

Video Tribute for Dale Edward Eckel:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/4QKFPJDM3BMBFDGN>



## Tribute Wall

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Jl

**James Irwin** posted:

What a joy to know Dale and Louise! Although not meeting them until recent years, they will always be remembered as an outstanding, gracious, and generous Christian couple, who exuded their faith in JESUS and put feet to the Gospel! What a genuine blessing to all who had the privilege of meeting them! Our prayers are with all family and friends during this brief separation, knowing they are already eternally with Our Saviour and Lord JESUS, who made the way for them and all who will put their faith and trust in HIM!! James, Amanda, and Jonathan Irwin Charleston, Illinois

April 9 at 7:31 AM

MC

**Michael Coppenbarger** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Dale Eckel

April 6 at 8:47 AM

DH

**David Hawkins** posted:

The Hawkins family got together often at Willis and Joy's house. As one of the many kids, I especially remember our Christmas celebrations. Dale made these times special. Even if all the aromas from the kitchen weren't enough, Dale's antics proved that he was the life of the party. His enjoyment of life and people was abundant. When it finally came time to eat, we knew who would deliver the blessing. It would be Uncle Dale, back by popular demand. I wish I could have one of those days back. Sharon and Marilyn, we are sorry for your loss. Please know that we too feel the loss of a very special person. Dave and Mary Jane Hawkins

April 6 at 4:30 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Dale by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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