



Robert L. Strachan, Sr.

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Robert L. Strachan, Sr., 80, of Decatur, passed away, Tuesday, November 13, 2012 in Decatur Memorial Hospital. Robert was born April 25, 1932 in Webster City, IA, son of James K. and Helen (Kolbeck) Strachan. A U.S. Army veteran, Robert was a meat cutter and worked as Santa's helper in the community for many years. Robert married Nelda E. Johnson on April 14, 1953. Surviving is his wife, Nelda of Decatur; children: Linda Fitzpatrick of NM, Susan (Joe) Creek of Cerro Gordo, Robert L. (Debra) Strachan, Jr., of Taylorville, and Dennis (Cheryl) Strachan of AZ; eight grandchildren and ten great grandchildren; brother, James K. (Edna) Strachan of Chestnut; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends and faithful canine companion, Muffin. Robert was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Frances. Visitation will be Saturday, November 17, 2012 from 10 am until the service time at 11 am in the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home with military rites immediately following. Burial will take place at a later date in Macon County Memorial Park. Memorials: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The Strachan family is being served by the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe St., Decatur, IL 62526. Online condolences and memories can be shared at www.moranandgoebel.com.



Tribute Wall

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RM

Robbin L. Mcfadden posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Robert L. Strachan, Sr.

January 31 at 7:31 AM

EH

Elizabeth And Luke Hendricks posted:

Our deepest sympathy go out to the Strachan family. Bob and Nelda have the biggest hearts of any people we have ever met. I am so grateful to have had so many cherished memories with them. Bob was a great man and will be missed greatly.

November 17 at 7:58 PM

MH

Monica Himmelrick posted:

My heart-felt sorrow for as far as I am concerned to the greatest man, a gift to all children, and of course to adults from the young to the old will be felt forever. He touched all of our family for many years. He brought joy to The Cowger family for many years. My mother was especially fond of him and Mrs. Strachan for many years. He truly was Santa Claus. It didn't matter what time of the year it was, whether he was getting a bite to eat in July, he always had time for the children. God Bless the Family and know he has a special place in heaven as well as our hearts.

November 17 at 1:05 PM

CC

Cindy Coleman posted:

Our family is so sad to hear of Bob's passing. We have years of wonderful memories of him and his wife coming to our house on Christmas Eve as Santa and Mrs. Claus. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family. He was a very sweet man and will hold a special place in our memories.

November 17 at 11:39 AM

LC

Lynette Cowger posted:

Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Bob was a wonderful person and gave our family great joy as Santa at our family gatherings Our Christmas' were such a joyful time thanks to him. He will be forever in our hearts

November 17 at 9:20 AM



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CC

Carol Condon posted:

With sincere sympathy to your family. Like Kelly said, your dad was captured on our family photos for years and what dedicated service he gave to our community for so many years as Santa's helper. God Bless you all.

November 16 at 10:14 AM

KH

Kelly Huff posted:

To the family, My sincere heartfelt condolences to you all. Your father and husband was captured in my camera many times through the years and always amazed this photographer and countless children in his alter ego role as a jolly sweet man. Susan, Cindy and I WISH we could be there for you in this time but we cannot. Your father was very proud of you and he always connected me to you when he heard me say Cerro Gordo. Prayers your way and God bless your family in this time. Kelly J. Huff

November 16 at 8:14 AM

RW

Randy Workman posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out to the Strahan family. It was truly an honor and a blessing to have known such a great man and such a wonderful family. We shared many happy moments as our families grew up together and I will always remember the joy and happiness that Santa and Mrs Claus brought not only when Christmastime approached, but throughout the year. He always had a smile on his countenance and he is smiling with God now. Bless you

November 16 at 4:17 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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