



# Merle E. Roughton

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**M**erle E. Roughton, 85, of Decatur, died Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at Aspen Ridge Care Centre.

Merle was born May 1, 1922, in Mayview, the son of Oren Kenneth and Helen Mae Taylor Roughton. A U.S. Army Veteran of WWII and the Korean War, Merle worked as an automotive service manager. He was affiliated with Wesley United Methodist Church and was a member of the American Legion and 14th Cavalry Assoc. He was also a member and past president of the Veterans 106th Cavalry Group Assoc. and Kaskaskia Valley Bass Club. Merle volunteered for the Boy Scouts Troop #202 and fished in several professional bass fishing tournaments. He married Carol D. Clark December 9, 1961 in Paxton and she preceded him in death March 11, 2007.

He is survived by his daughters: Jean Jeff Hutton of Glenarm and Lisa Dan DeVore of Oakley; siblings: Madge Mullinax of Paxton, Jack Shirley Roughton of Urbana, Mary Bob Riggs and Nancy Pridemore of Florida, and Terry Judith Roughton of California; grandchildren: Casey, Ryan, Anthony, Jacob, Jesse, Corey, Braden, Alyssa and Allyson; great grandson, Connor.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Carol; daughter, Sandra Kay Belscamper and brother, Kenneth "Butch" Roughton, Jr.

Funeral services will be 11 am. Monday, March 24, 2008 at the Wesley United Methodist Church. Visitation will be one hour prior at the church. Burial with military rites conducted by the Macon County Honor Guard will be at Camp Butler National Cemetery, Riverton. Memorials: Danville VA Hospital.

The family of Merle E. Roughton is being served by the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home/Veterans Funeral Care, 2801 N. Monroe St. Decatur.



## Tribute Wall

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**Larryand Shirley Oseland** posted:

We had the pleasure of being neighborhood acquaintances for many years; out the kitchen window, and away from Merle when he went passed in his truck. He probably was going fishing! I had the honor of being a fellow veteran. I'm sure he will be missed. Please accept our condolences. Decatur, IL US

March 23 at 7:00 PM

AB

**April Bergland** posted:

I am so sorry Merle has passed, mom is beside herself. Carol and Merle will never be forgotten and remembered with love and laughter. They have meant so much to our family, I am sure Merle and dad Marvin Craig have already found the best fishing hole in heaven..lol It has been an honor and a pleasure to know them both and I hope we will not lose touch with each other.....all our love and prayers are with the family. The Craigs Barbara, Pam Jones and April Bergland pana, IL US

March 20 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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