



Fred T. Colvin, Sr.

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Fred T. Colvin, Sr. 79, of Decatur, died on Wed., Nov. 2, 2005 in Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services celebrating his life will be 11 a.m. Mon. Nov. 7, 2005 in the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home where a visitation will be held one hour prior to the services. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery with Military Rites conducted by the Macon County Honor Guard.

Mr. Colvin was born on Dec. 8, 1925 in Thealka, KY. the son of Ray and Lizzie Mollett Colvin. Fred retired from Caterpillar Inc. in Feb. of 1986 where he had worked for 38 years as a supervisor of engineering records. He was an avid golfer and proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Fred married Betty A. Stapleton on May 10, 1947 in Louisa, KY.

Surviving is his wife of more than 58 years, Betty of Decatur; sons: Fred T. wife, Cecilia Colvin, Jr. of Alaska and Dave wife, Debbie Colvin of Tennessee; daughters: Cheryl husband, Rich Herigodt of Freeburg and Judy Manners of Forsyth. Brother, Roy M. wife, Pat Colvin of Florida and sister, Frances husband, Ray Short of Ohio. Grandchildren: Jay wife, Joy Herigodt of Missouri; Judith Herigodt of Freeburg; Randy Colvin of Oregon; Tobias Colvin of U.S. Virgin Islands; Christina Colvin of Arizona and Meredith Colvin of Tennessee. Special nephew, Roger T. wife, Page Daniel of Kentucky and many other nieces and nephews.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Eugene Ray Colvin and sister, Lois Ann Rigsby.

He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and he will be greatly missed by all who knew him.



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GK

Greg And Stephanie Kareotes posted:

Judy, Our deepest sympathies goes to you and your family. Judy, you've been a special friend to me for so many years. Try to lean on the good times that you shared with both your parents. Especially lean on God during these difficult times. Love ya, Greg and Stephanie Kareotes Morton, IL US

February 6 at 7:00 PM

GG

Glenn & Amy Glinke posted:

Our prayers are with the entire Colvin family. Fred was a kind and loving husband and father. He always treated all of Dave's friends as his own. For that I am very grateful. God bless each of you! Woodridge, IL US

November 13 at 7:00 PM

MM

Michelle Messersmith posted:

Even though I only met "Grandpa" once, I found him to be a very strong and witty man. He made me feel just like family when I visited him with Christina a few months ago. Colvin family, I will keep you in my prayers. God bless you! Michelle Parker, AZ US

November 6 at 7:00 PM

LS

Libby Snelson posted:

Dear Dave and family, we are thinking of you all at this difficult time. St Paul, MN US

November 6 at 7:00 PM

CC

Christina Colvin posted:

Grandpa Colvin was a very special man. During this last year, I had the pleasure of spending a great amount of time with him. I feel I have been beyond blessed to have had such a loving Grandpa. I will never forget how he always seemed to say the right thing at the right time, how he made everyone laugh with his witty remarks, and how special he made his friends and family feel. I look up to him in every way, he was such a clever and intelligent man. I am beyond lucky to have had him in my life, and to have a father who has inherited his fun-loving personality. To me, he will always live on in my father. And even though I am so far away, I keep Grandpa close to my heart, and am thinking of all of you during this difficult time. I wish I could be there. I love and miss you Grandpa. -Christina Groningen, - Other - Netherlands

November 4 at 7:00 PM



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RR

Rita And David Rupert posted:

Judy and Family,I have known Fred for 38 years. He was my first boss at Caterpillar when I was only 18 years old. He was a great man and good friend. He always had a smile and kind words for me. David and I send our deepest sympathy and condolences to you and your family. May God comfort you and give you strength to get through this difficult time. Love and God Bless. Rita and David Rupert Decatur, IL US

November 3 at 7:00 PM

JH

Judy Herigodt posted:

Grandpa has given me so many memories I don't even know where to start. He always made me smile. One of my favorite memories was when I would stay in Decatur and I would get to go to the Bowl, that was the best. That was his place and when he let you go with him you knew it was pretty special. Grandpa I will never forget your smile or your laugh. One thing I never got to do was play golf with you but now I will have you with me every round. I love you so much and miss you.Love Always and Forever Little Judy FREEBURG, IL US

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JS

Jim And Marilee Straza posted:

Dear Fred and Family,Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your dad always had a smile when I saw him and a wonderful sense of humor. How lucky you are to carry on his name. Peace and Love, Jim and Marilee Straza Fort Myers, FL US

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SB

Susan Brackett posted:

Judy, My heart goes out to you. I know how much you loved your Daddy! You know he is in a better place without pain and golfing with Jimmy!! TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF and be strong for your Mama..... Illiopolis,, IL US

November 3 at 7:00 PM

RC

Randy Colvin posted:

Grandpa Colvin was a dear person to me early in my childhood, and noting my budding interest in fish, during one visit gave me his fishing reel. That summer that reel helped me land a 74 pound king salmon the largest salmon of my life...and when I told him, he just plainly said "told you that was a good reel!"Will miss you,Randy Corvallis, OR US

November 3 at 7:00 PM

GS

Greg Smith posted:

The Colvin family provided a second home to me during my teenage years. They were always kind, thoughtful, and fun to be with. 'Mister Fred', as many of us called him, was all of those to me. During recent years, when I returned to Decatur on visits, I always looked forward to catching up with him. He always had something witty to say. I will miss him. Chatham, NJ US

November 3 at 7:00 PM

MI

Melissa Irvin posted:

Dave, You & your family are in my thoughts and prayers.Co-Worker of Dave Colvin at DaVita Inc in Brentwood, TN Brentwood, TN US

November 2 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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