



Harry Franklin Myers

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Harry Franklin Myers, 88, of Decatur, passed away Saturday, March 14, 2020, at St. Mary's Hospital, surrounded by his loving family.

Harry was born March 7, 1932 in Decatur, to Harry Leland and Pearl (Earls) Myers. He proudly served in the National Guard during the Korean War. Harry enjoyed gardening and working out in his yard, but most of all, he loved babysitting his grandchildren.

He is survived by his four children, David (Terry) Myers, Michael (Rene Schmidt) Myers, Sharon Nielsen and Pamela (Dan) Bencoter; 10 grandchildren, Troy Sleeth, Catherine Nielsen, Ashley Dawson, Erica (Joe) Brown, Paige Myers, Brooke Myers, Sarah (Luke) McKenzie, Bethanie (Quentin) Finger, Lindsey Myers and Samantha Myers; 10 great-grandchildren, Abigail, Zoey, Ashton, Emily, Christian, Jensen, Keagan, Peyton, Aurora, Harper; and two sisters, Betty (Ron) Price and Phyllis Kissell.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Billie Myers.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Harry Myers will be Private at Moran & Goebel Funeral Home. Visitation will be Private. Burial will be in Mt. Gilead Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to Alzheimer's Association 2309 W White Oaks Dr Suite E, Springfield, IL 62704.

The family of Harry Myers is being served by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home, 2801 N. Monroe St. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at www.moranandgoebel.com.



Events


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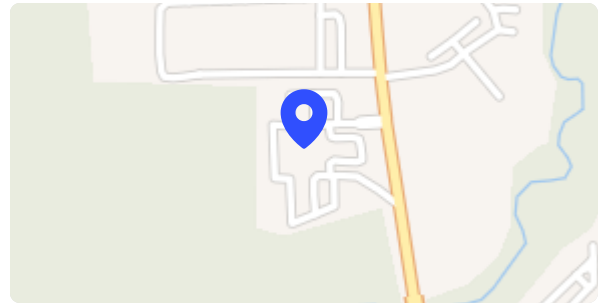
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Visitation


 **Thursday**, March 19, 2020

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT

 **Moran & Goebel Funeral Home**
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526

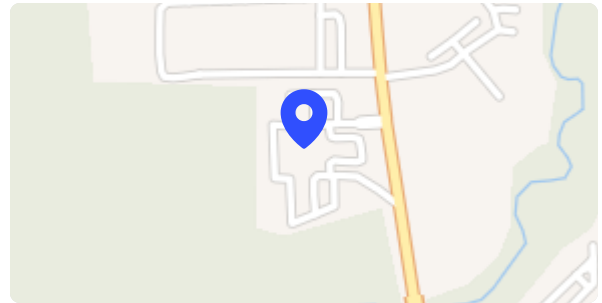


Funeral Service

 **Friday**, March 20, 2020

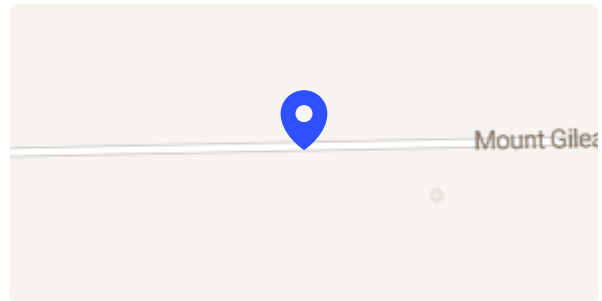
 1:00 PM CT

 **Moran & Goebel Funeral Home**
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526



Cemetery Details

 **Mt. Gilead Cemetery**
Mt. Gilead Rd., Decatur IL 62521





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Catherine Nielsen posted:

My grandpa was a wonderful man, such a quiet soul. He was so generous to anyone who needed help whether it be as small as using our phone because their car broke down/hit a deer, to loaning you a little money if you were in a bind. Most of all he let my mom, sister & I live with him and became the father figure my sister and I needed growing up. I have so many memories of the years gone by that there are too many to share on here but some of the best were car rides in the country for no reason at all. The battles over the tv, as you could only watch the satellite channels in the living room. We would get up to go do something during the commercials and he'd change the channel on us. I'd come back and have to wait for him to doze off to steal the remote back and the minute I'd change the channel he'd say, "I was watching that!" However, with my sister she'd get annoyed and take off to our room. He'd follow her and say, "Come on baby, you can have it back!" :) One show we both agreed on was "The Crocodile Hunter". We'd say how crazy Steve Irwin was jumping on huge crocodiles or messing with poisonous snakes but we couldn't help but to keep watching to see what he'd do next. When his memory started failing him, I came back home to care for him as he once did for me. Even though he forgot my name, he trusted me to help him when he could no longer do basic tasks on his own like bathing, dressing and making sure he took his medicine. Although there were challenges these last few months I wouldn't change it for the world. It feels so strange, him not sitting here in the living room with me napping with our dogs but I'm happy he's in heaven with his memory restored and probably sitting on a couch with his dog Luke or spending time with his parents he lost so long ago.

March 20 at 3:21 PM



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Erica Brown sent a virtual gift in honor of Harry.



I had wrote this last summer while watching grandpa shave and I had wanted to remember my thoughts at the time...I miss my grandpa. As I'm standing here in the bathroom, I wonder what he thinks while he stares at himself in the mirror. Does he see a reflection of the man he used to be as he gazes into his own reflection. Growing up, he was such a quiet, imposing force to be reckon with. I always knew he was such a gentle soul until he would be pushed too far. He had his moments of authority where he would stand his ground yet he would always feel so guilty afterward and try to make it up to you. As I watch him bath himself with a wash rag, something he has done all his life as only people who grew up during a time of less knew how to bath themselves. I miss his big belly and he always seemed so tall to me growing up, yet this man before me has shrunk and is barely the size of the man before. Every summer I would call him cherry head bc he would spend so much time outside taking care of his land, his bald head would be so burnt, it resembled a cherry head. I miss sword fighting in the hall with him with used up wrapping paper rolls. How I have loved him my whole life. He was the father figure I needed but didnt realize I had in him. It's so hard to see him not realize who he is or who I am anymore. He only knows me as the girl with the kids. Grandpa was a quiet person. He may not have been good at expressing himself or saying I love you but he always cared about everyone deeply...he just had his own way of showing it. He always made sure everyone was taken care of and he would help out any way he could. Even after I had moved out, grandpa would still come get my car every few months and take it to get the oil changed. He was just the type of person who would always take care of you up until it became our turn to take care of him. I will miss grandpa so much.

March 16 at 4:37 PM



Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Myers family.



March 18 at 10:16 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Myers family.



March 18 at 6:51 AM



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Connie Atkinson lit a candle in honor of Harry.

Harry was a great guy! He always had a smile on his face! I used to work with him at the Jewel store on Cantrell St. Rest in peace Harry. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Love Kurt and Connie Atkinson



March 18 at 3:50 AM



Doris Lortie posted:

To Harry's children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, Phyllis and Betty, and all the nieces and nephews - my deepest sympathy on your loss. I'm Harry's cousin, and have such warm childhood memories of Harry and the Myers family. May he rest in peace, and God Bless you all. Love, Doris Helen Earls Lortie (aka Dee Lortie). Now I know for certain Franklin was his middle name. We always called him Harry Earl, and couldn't believe it when as adults we were informed his name was Franklin. He had an Uncle Earl and I guess Pearl didn't want to disappoint Earl as being a namesake, so she told the Earls family his name was Harry Earl.

March 17 at 1:21 PM



Sharon Nielsen posted:

My Dad was a great Dad but he was a greater Grandpa and Papa. He loved having family and friends over to the house. He really loved his dog and made sure to pet them many times a day. I miss him so. He was such a busybody and kept you on your toes. The best part was when he had a break thru and remembered you. Love and miss you Dad.

March 17 at 12:07 PM



Mellissa Yutzy March 19 at 2:15 PM

peace be with his spirit and the family! I'm so sorry Pam and Sharon!



Sharon Nielsen sent a virtual gift in honor of Harry.



March 17 at 11:58 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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