



## Elmer L. Bailey

June 14, 1925 - May 9, 2012

Age 86, of Wilmington, IL passed away Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at Silver Cross Hospital in New Lenox, IL. Born June 14, 1925 in Fulton County, IL to the late Oliver and Mabel (nee Stecher). Elmer retired from General Motors, following 31 years of employment. During his retirement he farmed in the Wilmington area. Veteran of the United States Navy, having served during WWII. Charter member of the Wilmington VFW Post #5422, member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #241 in Wilmington, Meneoka Sportsman's Club, and the Will County Sheriff's Association. He enjoyed having coffee at McDonald's in Wilmington, working in his yard, collecting John Deere memorabilia and watches. Surviving are three sisters, Naomi Tedrow of Fairfield, IA, Patsy (Charlie) Dilts of Ellisville, IL and Vera Williamson of Monmouth, IL; his partner, Jean Rancatore of Elwood; close friends, Val Fox and Dennis Sartore of Wilmington; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death was his wife, Harriet (nee Barker) Bailey; four brothers; and three sisters. Visitation will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel, Monday, May 14, from 4-7 p.m. with funeral services at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Dallas Henry will officiate. Visitation will also be at the Martin-Hollis Funeral Home 771 N. Crafford, Bushnell, IL 61422 on Tuesday, May 15, from 1-2 p.m. Interment with military honors will follow in Bushnell Cemetery in Bushnell. In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be made to the American Heart Association.



# Cemetery Details

## Bushnell Township Cemetery

1200 East Hail Street  
Bushnell, IL 61422

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
(815) 458-2336  
[info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com>

## Service

MAY 14. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
(815) 458-2336  
[info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com>

## Visitation

MAY 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Martin-Hollis Funeral Home  
771 North Crafford  
Bushnell, IL 61422  
(309) 772-3116

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Elmer L. Bailey Video Tribute*



Sara Foote - July 20, 2012 at 03:30 PM

SB

“ *Rest in peace Grandfather.*

Stephanie Renee Bailey - May 25, 2012 at 12:12 AM

AN

“ *On behalf of Fr. Mario Quejadas and the parishioners of St. Martin of Tours Kankakee, I would like to express our sincerest condolences to your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*



*May God's blessings of love and peace be upon you.*

aimée Flor Nellis - May 14, 2012 at 09:30 AM

AA

“ *May your memories of the wonderful times you shared with your loved one comfort you and your family, today and always.*

American Heart Association - May 13, 2012 at 12:47 AM

EK

“ We remember all the nice visits and drives into the country for breakfasts with Jean and Elmer. Our sympathy to all.

*Doris and Ed Kamper*



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**Edward and Doris Kamper** - May 11, 2012 at 04:58 PM

DB

*I wish we could have been closer. My brother and I enjoyed talking to our father every few months over the past several years. Elmer leaves behind 3 sons, Jerry (Ethel), Kenneth (Angela) and Duane Bailey (Becky) and 1 daughter, Carol, who passed away last October. Elmer had 8 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. May he rest in peace in the comfort of our Lord and Savior.*

*Duane & Becky Bailey  
Santa Clarita, California*

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**Duane Bailey** - May 12, 2012 at 01:18 PM