Howard A. Burton

December 23, 1927 - April 2, 2024

Age 96, of Essex, IL passed away on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at his home. Born on December 23, 1927 in Sangamon County, IL to the late Tobe and Ruth Frances (nee Coffer) Burton. He served in World War II as a member of the United States Navy. On December 6, 1947 he married Helen Catherine Ott in Mayfield, KY and together they spent almost 75 years devoted to each other and the family they created. A member of both the Dwight VFW and the Dwight Methodist Church. Howard was an incredibly hard working man. He was a lifelong farmer of the Essex, Dwight and Gardner areas and also worked at Caterpillar in Joliet. A very devoted and loved employee at Morris Hospital in the Environmental Service Department, he only recently retired from there last year after 34 years of service. His most beloved hobby was working.

Surviving are his sons, Daniel L. Burton of Gardner, IL, Ed Burton of Essex and Donny (Brenda) Burton of Dwight; sister, Dorothy Lugibill of Williamsville, IL; brother-in-law Cecil Ott of Lincoln, IL as well as many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death was his beloved wife, Helen Burton (10/6/2022), son, Billy Gene Burton; and 11 siblings.

The visitation will be held at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Sunday, April 7, 2024 from 2:00 – 5:00 PM and on Monday, April 8, 2024 from 10:00 – 11:00 am. At 11:00 am we will follow in procession to Round Grove Cemetery in Campus, IL for a Graveside Service with military honors at

11:30 am. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be directed to Uplifted Care Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Round Grove Cemetery

North 3300 East Road: Approximately one
mile south of Rt. 17
Campus, IL 60920

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **7**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home
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Braidwood, IL 60408
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Tribute Wall

PW

My deepest sympathies to the Burton family. Howard was a very humble and kind man. I enjoyed having dinner with him at the Morris Hospital. He was a great listner and very knowledgeable. He will be missed. Paul Weitz

Paul Weitz - April 14, 2024 at 01:36 PM

SC

Thank you Howard for being such a great friend to my mom and dad for all of these years. You don't know what that means to me, especially when Dad was in the hospital and you saw that Mom got something to eat everyday. I'll miss your smile but I'm smiling now knowing that you're back with Helen. Rest easy. You deserve it. ❤️

Shelley Lampert Corum - April 07, 2024 at 06:11 PM

CP

Christine Patterson lit a candle in memory of Howard Burton

Christine Patterson - April 07, 2024 at 03:34 PM

MA

So sorry to hear of Howard's passing. I had the pleasure of working with Howard at Morris Hospital. He always had a smile and kind words. What an excellent example of hard work.
Marijo Amatulli

marijo amatulli - April 06, 2024 at 08:33 AM

KN

Howard was a great man, he will be missed by all that knew him.

Kay Nugent - April 05, 2024 at 06:09 PM

BB

Brenda Burton sent a virtual gift in memory of Howard Burton

Brenda Burton - April 04, 2024 at 05:54 PM

42 files added to the album LifeTributes

R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - April 04, 2024 at 03:32 PM

GT

I worked at Morris Hospital. He was always very gracious and a very hard worker. Miss seeing him at the hospital. My sympathies to the family.
Gary Taylor

Gary Taylor - April 04, 2024 at 02:49 PM

TV

I absolutely loved working with Howard. He was a great guy and friend. My condolences to his family.

Tabatha Vandover - April 04, 2024 at 10:50 AM

MO

Howard was such a hardworking, caring, positive and uplifting gentleman with such an amazing smile. I am blessed to have had the honor of knowing him.

Molly - April 04, 2024 at 07:58 AM

JM

Sending my deepest sympathy. Howard was the most hardest working man I've ever known. He was so kind to everyone always. His smile lit up the hallways at work every day! I'm very happy and lucky to have known him. God's many blessings to his family.

Joanna Mueller - April 04, 2024 at 07:33 AM

BS

I knew Howard from working at Morris hospital. He was a real gentleman always greeting everyone with his contagious smile, he will always be remembered by those who were fortunate to know him. Rest in peace my dear friend.
Dr. B. Setrini

Beatriz Setrini - April 04, 2024 at 09:16 PM

RE

Renee sent a virtual gift in memory of Howard Burton

Renee - April 03, 2024 at 11:14 PM

KF

I am so sorry to hear of Howard's passing! He was such a kind and wonderful human being! My sympathies to all of his family and friends…

Kathy Fredrick - April 03, 2024 at 09:02 PM

LP

Lois Pickens lit a candle in memory of Howard Burton

Lois Olsen Pickens - April 03, 2024 at 07:13 PM

CJ

Working in the ER at Morris seeing Howard was always one of the bright spots of the day. Fly high Howard knowing how much joy you brought to so many.

carina Johannessen - April 03, 2024 at 06:41 PM

CM

Caroljo Moore lit a candle in memory of Howard Burton

Caroljo Moore - April 03, 2024 at 05:03 PM