



## Walter George Kirkland

May 18, 1929 - January 1, 2010

Age 80, of South Wilmington, IL, passed away peacefully, Friday, January 01, 2010, at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee, IL. He was born May 18, 1929 in Otsego, Michigan to the late George and Esma (nee Towne) Kirkland. A Veteran of the United States Army, he served from 1947-1953. Wally married Kathryn (nee Richmond) on May 1, 1965. He was formerly employed by ComEd, retiring from LaSalle Station following 35 years of employment. He served on the South Wilmington Fire Department from 1978-1989. He was a life member of the Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. in Mazon, IL, member and Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star, Kellogg Chapter and a member and Past Master of the Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. #573 in Gardner. Surviving were his wife, Kathy, three sons, Ronald (Tammy) Kirkland of Kempton, IL, Thomas (Staci) Kirkland of Cortland, NY and Robert (Kristen) Kirkland of Godley, IL; one daughter, Carole (Bruce) Potter of Truxton, NY; grandchildren, Jonathan, Bethany, Jay, Shelby, Makenzie, Taylor, Doug, Matt, Nick, Jessica and Clarissa "Lu Lu"; a great grandchild, Trevor; sister-in-law, Karen Kirkland; mother-in-law, Lois Chatterson; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were three brothers, Eugene, Dale and Carl Kirkland. Visitation was at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel, Monday, January 4, 2010 from 4-8 p.m. Cremation rites followed. Inurnment with military honors was at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL.



# Cemetery Details

## **Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery**

20953 W. Hoff Rd.  
Elwood, IL 60421