



## Arthur Lee Ramsey

October 29, 1926 - March 4, 2017

Arthur Lee Ramsey, age 90, of Marion, IL, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at 7:35 p.m. surrounded by his family in the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Marion.

He always joked that he was born in Marion, with a 25 watt light bulb hanging from the ceiling along with a 5 cell flashlight at home on Friday, October 29, 1926, the son of Hubert Enlow and Cecil Mae (Hendrickson) Ramsey.

Arthur was united in marriage to Juanita Norris on Saturday, April 2, 1949, in Mayfield, KY, and this union was blessed with two children; Arthur Derek and Charlotte.

He answered the call of this nation by serving in the United States Army during the time of the Korean War, from November of 1951 until his period of faithful service was completed and honorably discharged with the rank of Corporal on November of 1953.

Arthur was co-owner with his brother Ron of both Ron's Bar-B-Q and Uncle Tom's Restaurant both of Marion. He also worked many years as produce manager for Mack's Big Star Grocery Store in Marion, where he was known by many as the "Singing Produce Manager." He loved to sing and earlier in his adult life sang with several church quartets. He attended at Community Chapel Church of Marion, where he loved his pastors, Don Colson and Tim Jeralds and all his church family. After church he enjoyed going out to eat Sunday dinner with his daughter and family. He also loved going out to eat with his son and in his spare time watching old movies and reading.

The family would especially like to thank the Veteran's Administration Hospital Community Living Center in Marion for the special care given to Arthur during the last 3 months and to his niece, Martha who followed the prompting of the holy spirit and went to visit him and was there with him at the end.

Arthur was a very smart, witty, fun loving man that loved life, family and friends very much. The many memories that have been created will now be cherished by those he leaves behind.

He is survived by his son, Arthur Derek Ramsey and fiancée Deborah Sopezynski of Cambria, IL; daughter and son-in-law, Charlotte and Gary D. Beasley of Crab Orchard, IL; four grandchildren, Christa Ramsey, Garrett Beasley, JoAnna Beasley Morehead and Larissa Taylor; ten great grandchildren, Tory Bloodworth, Naudia Harris, Nathan Beasley,

Easton Beasley, Chesney Beasley, Connor Clark, Tyler Clark, Bronte' Taylor, Blayze Taylor and Brielle Taylor; three great-great grandchildren, Trayce, Treasure and Tryrian Goins; sister, Helen Ramsey Slaton of Marion, a host of nieces and nephews, other extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Elma Ramsey and two brothers, Rev. Gene Ramsey and Ron Ramsey.

Arrangements for Arthur Lee Ramsey have been entrusted to Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court St., Marion, IL.

The graveside committal service will be on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at 2:30 p.m. in Rose Hill Cemetery of Marion, with Pastor Don Colson presiding.

Those wishing to attend the graveside committal service should arrive at the cemetery prior to 2:30 p.m.

Military honors will be accorded at the graveside by members of Heyde-Pillow V.F.W. Post No. 1301, American Legion Post No. 147, and members of the United States Army National Guard Funeral Honor Detail all of Marion.

For those who prefer, memorial contributions may be made to, "Community Chapel Church" and mailed in care of Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court Street, Marion, IL 62959.

Memorial envelopes will be available at the cemetery and funeral home.

For additional information please contact the funeral home by calling 618-993-2131.

# Cemetery Details

## Rose Hill Cemetery

1445 North Court Street  
Marion, IL 62959  
[marioncemetery@cityofmarionil.gov](mailto:marioncemetery@cityofmarionil.gov)  
<http://www.marioncemetery.com>

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 8. 2:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Arthur and Ron at the Tom'so and Ron's Bar B Que. I was in my sophomore through senior years in high school at Johnston City. What hilarious times they were! I will never forget those fantastic times. He was one in a million and I wished I had known he was at the VA home as I would have come to see him.

Sandy McPheron Phipps - March 07, 2017 at 09:53 AM

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“ So many memories but he always told me family stories and kept me in stitches. I would call Uncle Arthur on my way to Marion and on my way home from Marion and he would say, "Naomi Ruth, are you falling to sleep"? Then the stories began and I will say that his memory was amazing. Love him and will miss him so much and our talks. He is in a better place, rest in peace Uncle Arthur.. Praying for the family during this time. Love you all so very much.

Naomi - March 06, 2017 at 11:05 PM

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“ Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Arthur Lee Ramsey



Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home - March 06, 2017 at 06:21 PM

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“ Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur Lee Ramsey



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