



David Ray Miller

July 27, 1952 - January 9, 2015

David R. Miller, age 62, of rural Creal Springs, IL passed away suddenly at 10:19 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2015, in the Veterans Administration Medical Center of Marion, IL. He was born on Sunday, July 27, 1952, in Augusta, GA, the son of Preston Franklin and Bertha Raedean (Robinson) Miller.

David attended school in Murphysboro, IL and was a graduate of Murphysboro High School Class of 1970.

After graduation he answered the call of this nation by serving in the United States Army in Vietnam from 1971 to 1974. After his period of faithful service he was discharged with the rank of Specialist Fourth Class.

His working career began with Penn Aluminum until he began with Marion Pepsi from 1974 to 1979, after Pepsi worked for Old Ben No. 25 Coal Company of West Frankfort, IL, after the mine at Container Stapling Company of Herrin, IL, later at Crown Line Boat Company of West Frankfort, IL and finally at Sam's Club of Marion, IL for 11 years until September of 2014.

He was united in marriage to Glenna G. Hartwell on Wednesday, December 25, 1974, at Cana Baptist Church, located on Route 166 near Creal Springs, IL and together they have shared over forty years of marriage.

David was a member of Lone Oak Baptist Church of Energy, IL and also a lifetime member of Heyde-Pillow V.F.W. Post No. 1301 of Marion, IL.

In his spare time he enjoyed spending time outdoors, fishing, hunting, golfing and square dancing.

His family was a very important part of his life. He always looked forward to spending time together and treasured the many memories that were created.

He is survived by his mother, Raedean Miller of Murphysboro, IL; wife, Glenna G. Miller of Creal Springs, IL; daughter and son-in-law, Crystal and Mark Lipe of Elkhart, IL; son and daughter-in-law, David "Nathan" and Amber Miller of Marion, IL; six grandchildren, Andrew Miller, Illyana Lipe, Jaydon Walton, Shea Walton, George Miller and William Miller; four brothers; Frank Miller of the Chicago, IL area, Larry Miller of Murphysboro, IL, Bruce Miller of California City, CA and Bill Miller of Murphysboro, IL; three brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Harold and Iris Hartwell of Jacksonville, FL, Charles and Debbie Hartwell of Creal

Springs, IL and Michael and Judy Hartwell of Marion, IL; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Kathy and Greg Sallee of Neosho, MO, numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, other extended family members and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his father on April 2, 1998.

Arrangements for David R. Miller were entrusted to Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court St., Marion, IL.

The time of the visitation for family and friends was from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13th at the funeral home.

During the time of visitation a "Reflection of Life" DVD Memorial Tribute featuring special people, places and events of David's life was presented to the family and friends.

The funeral service was at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home with Rev. Jerry Schell and Rev. David Dyer presiding.

Comments of memory were presented by David's son, Nathan and his son-in-law, Mark Lipe. A special poem called "Daddy" was written and presented by David's daughter, Crystal.

The service began with a special tribute and walk thru by the Illinois Patriot Guard. They also presented to David's wife, Glenna a folded flag and plaque.

The prelude and postlude musical selections were recorded piano selections.

Special recorded vocal musical selections presented were "Time In a Bottle" by Jim Croce, "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You" by Alan Jackson, "Amazing Grace" by Lari White and "I'll Fly Away" by Alison Krauss.

Interment followed in Rose Hill Cemetery of Marion, IL.

Pallbearers were Knute Schultz, Harold Frazier, Charles Hartwell, John Fosse, Mike Hartwell, Michael Hooks and Billy Sallee.

Military honors were accorded at the graveside by members of Heyde-Pillow V.F.W. Post No. 1301, American Legion Post No. 147 both of Marion, IL and the Illinois Army National Guard Funeral Honors Burial Detail.

Those participating were Commander, Larry Largent; Chaplain, Nancy Brown; Bugler, Jim Grieme; Color Guard, Jessie James and Bill Reynolds; National Colors, Ernie Rinella; VFW Post Colors, Jeff Hoffard; American Legion Colors, Ron Ganzer; POW/MIA Colors, Wayne O'Connor and Firing Squad, Don Burgrabe, Bob Casey, Bill Hampsey, Bill Hatfield, Fred Read, Ron Russell and Jerry Swisher.

Members of the Illinois Army National Guard Funeral Honors Burial Detail participating in the folding of the flag were SPC William Ott and SGT Jeremy Moon.

During the folding of the flag the recorded musical selection "America the Beautiful" was presented.

The folded flag was presented to David's wife, Glenna by Lieutenant Commander Angela Watson.

After the committal service at the graveside the family and friends gathered at Lone Oak

Baptist Church of Energy, IL for a meal and continued time of fellowship and support. For those who preferred, memorial contributions were made to either “The American Cancer Society” or “The Disabled American Veterans” and mailed in care of Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, P.O. Box 370, Marion, IL 62959. Memorial envelopes were available at the funeral home.

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

Cemetery

Rose Hill Cemetery
1445 North Court Street
Marion, IL, 62959

Events

JAN 13 **Visitation** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home
900 N. Court St., Marion, IL, US, 62959

JAN 14 **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home - January 12, 2015 at 08:30 PM



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Teresa - January 17, 2015 at 02:17 AM



“ AWESOME!!!!!!Thank God for these beautiful memories

Iris Hartwell - February 03, 2015 at 07:09 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss.Our thoughts and prayers are with you Glenna and your family...
Sue Cox and Don Durham

sue cox - January 14, 2015 at 12:08 PM



“ Jane Crosson lit a candle in memory of David Ray Miller



jane crosson - January 13, 2015 at 07:33 PM



“ May God surround your family with love and comfort. Prayers and hugs to you Glenna

jane crosson - January 13, 2015 at 07:36 PM



“ as we say good bye to a dear friend, we thank God for blessing us with David's friendship.
Linda and Dave G.

linda and dave gattis - January 13, 2015 at 11:24 AM



“ Crystal, Mark, Illyana and family. So sorry to hear of your loss. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you all peace, comfort, strength and understanding during this difficult time and the days ahead. With all of our love and sympathy,
Jason, Jane and Jacob Cobin

Jason, Jane and Jacob Cobin - January 12, 2015 at 10:16 PM



“ California City Police Department purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David Ray Miller.



California City Police Department - January 12, 2015 at 09:59 PM



“ I am so sorry I cant be there for you. I know what it means to lose a love one. God blessed you with love, family, and memories. Take care. Linda jean

Linda Todd - January 12, 2015 at 11:42 AM



“ David, You will be missed. luv Valerie. see ya in Hallelujah square someday.

Valerie Gass - January 12, 2015 at 11:30 AM



“ David, my oldest brother. There are never enough words to describe our feelings. The hurt the pain yet the happiness. You have gone to heaven to be with our Father. I can see dad there at the gates of heaven to welcome you. No more pain just glory. So many times I remember you out in the yard throwing a ball with me even when I could never get it back to you. When you came home from work at the coal mines one time I was asleep on the couch. You woke me but I didn't let you know. You painted a mustache on me with coal dust laughing the whole time. Well when I got older I grew out that moustache. Still have it today. Gonna miss you brother. Love you.

Bruce Miller - January 11, 2015 at 10:36 PM



“ America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of David Ray Miller.



January 11, 2015 at 10:48 AM



“ My condolences are with you,your in my thoughts and prayers .

Vivien Harshfield - January 11, 2015 at 07:56 AM



“ May David's family find peace from God in this time of loss.

Joyce Fields - January 11, 2015 at 07:55 AM



“ Ally lit a candle in memory of David Ray Miller



ally - January 11, 2015 at 07:33 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of the Miller family at this time of great loss



Amy Broach - January 11, 2015 at 05:21 AM



“ Teresa Clark lit a candle in memory of David Ray Miller



Teresa Clark - January 11, 2015 at 01:54 AM



“ Go rest high on that mountain your work on earth is done. So long my dear cousin.
Until we meet again

Tillie - January 10, 2015 at 11:19 PM



“ Sorry to hear of David's passing. We counted it a privilege to know him and so many of the other family members. Our condolences to Glenna and the rest of the family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Rod & Ellen Sallee

Rodney Sallee - January 10, 2015 at 09:36 PM



“ Sure will miss you! I will keep an eye on Glenna for you as I'm sure many will! See you in Heaven some day! Love you! -Roxie-

Roxanne Ferguson - January 10, 2015 at 06:48 PM



“ So sorry to hear of David's passing. He always had a smile for everyone. Our prayers are with the family.

Paula and Kenneth Kelly - January 10, 2015 at 06:28 PM



“ Dave McReynolds lit a candle in memory of David Ray Miller



Dave McReynolds - January 09, 2015 at 05:40 PM



“ Sweet peace my cuz, you'll always be in my heart.... and prayers for the families and friends

Lana - January 11, 2015 at 09:53 AM



“ Go to heaven a shoutin' cousin, enjoy the arms of Jesus, you will always be remembered and missed. Prayers of comfort and Peace for Glenna and the whole family.

Mary Wyatt - January 13, 2015 at 06:44 PM