



Forrest D. Pender

March 16, 1924 - July 10, 2014

Forrest D. Pender, 90 of Dix, passed away Thursday, July 10, 2014. He was born March 16, 1924 on the family farm near Dongola, Illinois, son of Warner J. and Mamie (Karraker) Pender. He married Launda Keller on December 22, 1942 in Jackson, Missouri and she survives in Dix. In addition to his wife of 71 years, he is also survived by a son, Michael Pender and wife Margaret of Dix; five grandchildren: Michelle Mays and husband Rod of Dix, Melinda Angles and husband Rob of Centralia, Mamie Pender and Adam Curtner of Dix, Micki Newcomb and husband Nate of Mascoutah, and Mike Pender and wife Kelly of Hoffman; fourteen great-grandchildren: Holly, Cody, Riley and Katie, Rusty and Shelby, Roger, Bobby, Kylie, Jack, Clara, Juanita, Garret, Joeli, Lane and Reid; two great-great-grandchildren: Brock and Cabrien; several nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law, and a brother-in-law. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Ferrell Pender, a son, Roger Dean Pender, and a grandson, Mark Allen Pender. Forrest was a member of the Church of Christ and attended Tri-City Church of Christ in Central City. He was a grocery man all of his life. Forrest, Launda, Mike and Margaret opened Farm Fresh in Centralia in 1971. Forrest and Launda loved to travel and spent a lot of time in Arizona. He never met a stranger and loved sharing stories from the past. Funeral Services for Forrest Pender will be held Monday, July 14, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. at the Crain Funeral Home in Dongola with Brother Gordon Bennett officiating. Burial will follow at the American Legion Cemetery in the family plot. Visitation will be held from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Sunday, July 13, 2014

at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia and from 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Monday in Dongola. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Tri-City Church of Christ or to SSM Hospice and will be accepted at Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia, which is in charge of local arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Michelle Thinking of you and your family during this time.*

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