



Melvin Frances Higgins

May 22, 1925 - October 27, 2014

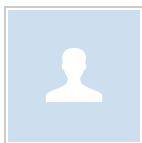
Melvin “Bud” Frances Higgins, 89 of McLeansboro, passed away Monday, October 27, 2014 at Meadowbrook Estates in McLeansboro. He was born May 22, 1925 in Ashley, son of Homer Higgins and Annie (Baris) Higgins. He is survived by two nephews: James Michael and wife Tracy of Clarksville, TN and Allen Michael and wife Katrina of Salem; a niece, Glenda Michael; five great-nephews: Jason Michael and wife Mary of Albuquerque, NM and Shaun Michael and wife Kandi of Clarksville, TN, Richard Michael, Donnie Michael, and Jesse Michael all of Clarksville, TN; two great-nieces, Breanna Michael of Clarksville, TN and Rhonda Shay of Central City; a great-great nephew, Skyler Michael and a great-great niece, Raelyn Michael. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Juanita Michael and a nephew, Richard Michael. Melvin was of the Pentecostal Faith. He worked at Trade Industry’s in McLeansboro, Careers Developmental Center in Fairfield and twenty years at Kaskaskia Workshop in Centralia. Graveside Services for Melvin F. Higgins will be held Friday, October 31, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia with Pastor Steve Upchurch officiating. Friends and family are asked to meet at the cemetery. Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Heaven's LightBy: Ron Tranmer The sun shines down upon us and gives us warmth and light. Then when the day has ended it disappears from sight. Though we're left in darkness, we know the sun's not died, for it is shining brightly on the world's other side. So it is when one we love comes to their end of days. They just go to the other side to shine their loving rays. That's why heaven is a place that glows beyond compare. The lights of those who've left us are all brightly shining there. Uncle Bud we are going to miss you. Now we have another Angel watching over us. We know you are in a better place and free of pain. We love you very much.*

Shaun & Kandi Michael - October 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Melvin was loved by all that met him. He was a kind and good soul. He will be missed greatly.*

October 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Buddy we will miss you very much just your voice on the phone when i call to check on you and you always asking me when you going to come see me or the smell of your pipe. I love you and will always keep you next to my heart, you are at rest now and with your Mom, Dad and sister and we will be together again some day. Love you Jimmy*

Jim Michael - October 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We love and miss you Uncle Bud.. Xoxoxoxox love Raerae n Skyler*

Raelyn n Skyler Michael - October 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Uncle Bud.. You're now at home. Free of pain. Free of doctors poking you. Visiting with your mom, dad, sister, Aunt Lily, Uncle Clyde, and the rest of family. Tiny curled up on Juanita's lap relaxing. :>One day we'll all be together. Love and miss you Buddy xoxo

Tracy Michael - October 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Uncle Bud we are going to miss you so very much. I know that we didn't get to see each other that much but you were a huge part of my life. It was hard to hear that you had passed but I know that you are in a much better place now. God must have needed another Angel in his kingdom. You will be missed but you will always be in my heart. I will always love and miss you. Until I see you again in Heaven.

Jason / Mary Michael - October 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM