



## Richard Dale Ayers, Sr.

September 17, 1939 - April 23, 2015

Richard Dale Ayers, Sr., 75 of Centralia, passed away Thursday, April 23, 2015 at his home. Mr. Ayers was born September 17, 1939 in Hickman, Kentucky, son of Norman Ayers and Mertle (Yates) Ayers. He married Joyce Busby on July 21, 1962 in Union City, Tennessee and she survives in Centralia. In addition to his wife of 52 years, he is also survived by a son, Richard Ayers, Jr. and wife Barbara of Sandoval; three daughters: Lisa Gardner and husband Peter of Wasilla, Alaska, Tiffany Emrick and husband Matthew of Richview, and Mona Becker and husband Dave of Irvington; ten grandchildren: Jared Kehn, Brook Kehn, Brandon Kehn, Kourtney Chalke, Kaitlyn Chalke, Casey Ayers, Hayli Emrick, Josh Wiese, Jessie Wiese, and Tiffany Shelton; 8 great-grandchildren: Isabella Hedgecock, Sabrinah Chalke, Kinnley Frieman, Avah Kehn, Julie Scott, Lucas Scott, Autumn Wiese, and Alexis Wiese; a brother, H.L. Williamson and wife Billie Jean of Hickman, Kentucky; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers: Morrison Williamson, Swayne Ayers and Jerry Ayers, and a sister, Clara Helton. Mr. Ayers served in the U.S. Army. He enjoyed playing golf, traveling, and bird watching in his later years. He was an avid UK Wildcat Fan. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and friends. Funeral Services for Richard Dale Ayers, Sr. will be held on Monday, April 27, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia with Pastor Carlton Binkley officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia. Military Honors will be accorded at the gravesite by the American

Legion Post 446 and V.F.W. Post 2055. Visitation will be held Sunday evening from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the funeral home and on Monday morning at the funeral home from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association or to the donor's choice and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia, which is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ Prayers are with your family during this difficult time. Dale will be missed by all that knew him. Sincerely, Bonnie, Randy & Laraine Love

Love Love - April 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Aunt Joyce you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers at the loss of Uncle Dale.

Kenneth Jones - April 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Prayers for all the family. Aunt Joyce may God give you peace and comfort during this time and the days to come. Uncle Dale was a great man and such a pleasure to be with. His devotion to God was so admirable. Now he is in the presence of the Lord. God Bless you and I love you!!

mark moore - April 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ We are so sorry for your loss Joyce. Dale was a good man, and he will be missed. With our deepest condolences, Dennis Wayne and Clara Bass

Dale Ayers - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Prayers for the family. Remember Dale from school.

Peggy Chamberlain Keithcart - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. We will keep the family in our prayers.

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**The Cassidy** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Ms. Joyce....remember everyone in Dale's family well, growing up with them in WH....also the Busby family in WH. Sorry to hear about Dale. He is 5 yrs younger, I am H. L.'s age. Billy Busby about my age. Reading about Dale I'm sure the world is a little better because Dale passed through it. May God Bless You & Family!

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**Richard Cartwright** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Joyce and family, So sorry for your loss.

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**Mindy Winkler** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry for your loss.

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**Mona Cushman** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I am so sorry for your loss, I pray that God will be with you all and give you strength at this hardest time.

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**Jerry Simon** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ *RIP uncle Dale. I will miss our phone calls. And you leaving me messages when I couldn't get to the phone.. Tammi, this is your uncle Dale!! Oh how I wish I could here you one more time.. You reminded me so much of Grandpa Ayers.. You had a very sweet gentle soul. A man who loved his family so much. You will be missed by many.. I know today you are rejoicing in heaven.. No more pain, no more suffering.. You are now home. I love you, and will miss you.. I will never forget the memories of you.. I love you uncle Dale.*

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**Tammi** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

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**Pamela Sadler** - April 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM