



Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey

August 27, 1926 - May 27, 2014

Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey, age 87 years, a resident of Anna and a former resident of the Glendale community, passed away Tuesday morning, May 27, 2014, at 8:45 AM at the Anna Rehabilitation and Nursing Center.

Buel Lee was born August 27, 1926 in Marion, Illinois. He was the son of Edgar Earl & Bertha Leola (Cox) Bailey.

Buel Lee was united in marriage to Doris E. Whiteside on May 29, 1954 in Creal Springs, Illinois. She survives.

Other survivors include: a daughter – Elaine (Kerry) Ray of Anna; 2 grandchildren – Emma Kate Ray and Evan Thomas Ray; a sister – Juanita (Wayne) Hardin of Harrisburg; a sister-in-law – Wanda Bailey of Vienna; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents, Buel Lee was preceded in death by 2 brothers – Lowell Laverne Bailey and Rev. John (Mildred) Bailey; a sister – Ruth (John) Trigg.

Buel Lee had been employed as a farm laborer and member of the fence crew at the University of Illinois Agricultural Center at Dixon Springs for 34 years, prior to his retirement in 1986. Buel Lee was hardworking and constantly busy

working on some project. In addition to farm work, he enjoyed house painting, mowing, woodworking and was constantly “tinkering and repairing” lawn mowers.

Buel Lee was a devoted member of the Cedar Grove Social Brethren Church. He attended faithfully as long as his health permitted. Buel Lee was as a church deacon, longtime Sunday school teacher and served for 25 years as the church treasurer. He had also served as a member of the presbytery of the Social Brethren churches. Buel Lee loved his Lord and enjoyed visiting with and serving others. He was always willing to offer a helping hand to a friend or neighbor. Also, he was never hesitant to share his faith or witness for the Lord. Buel Lee had a deep love of family and he cherished time spent with them. He especially enjoyed a good game of dominoes.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon, May 31, 2014, at 1 PM at the Cedar Grove Social Brethren Church, near Simpson. Rev. Jerry Wells will officiate.

Burial will be in the Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 PM – 8 PM Friday, May 30, 2014, at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna and from 12 Noon – 1 PM Saturday at the church.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois, 204 Halfway Road, Marion, IL 62959 (www.hospice.org)

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **30**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
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Vienna, IL 62995
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Tribute Wall



“ *Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *I am very sorry to read of your family's loss. I hope you will find comfort in these promises from our Heavenly Father, the God of all comfort--Revelation 21:4, John 5:28,29.*

christie c - June 02, 2014 at 06:52 AM



“ *Aunt Doris and Elaine,*

So sorry for your loss. Love you both and will keep you in my prayers.

Carol Jean Lynn - May 30, 2014 at 08:04 PM



“ *Doris and Elaine,
Loved knowing your dad and husband the short time I did. I wished I had know him in "better" days, but we all know now he has arrived and is better than ever! We'll continue to hold you up in prayer!*

*Love
Pastor Les and Janet Sinks*

Les Sinks - May 30, 2014 at 12:55 PM

DM

“ Dear Doris and family, I have good memories of the years of working at the Ag. Center with Slim and all the others, it was like a big family as we shared the work load and the fellowship of friends. Slim was a good man always ready to help and to give a word of encouragement. Sorry we won't be able to attend the services as we will be out of town. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Our sympathy-Donnie and Jolene Morris



Donnie and Jolene Morris - May 29, 2014 at 10:25 AM

DC

“ I remember so well when we moved in across the street from you. It had been warm but the weather turned extremely cold. Our sewer line collapsed. We looked up and here came Slim with shovel in hand. He stayed right there until the line was repaired. He was always ready to help if anyone needed help. He was a good man and will be missed by everyone who knew him. My prayers are with you and the rest of your family.

Doris Greene Corder

Doris Greene Corder - May 28, 2014 at 10:17 PM

FK

“ Floyd & Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey



Floyd & Linda Koehler - May 28, 2014 at 08:49 PM

FB

“ *Faye Morris Bowman lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*



Faye Morris Bowman - May 28, 2014 at 08:16 PM

CW

“ *Carmen Breeden Wells lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*



Carmen Breeden Wells - May 28, 2014 at 07:21 PM

BH

“ *Bob And Barb Hase lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*



Bob and Barb Hase - May 28, 2014 at 03:34 PM

DH

“ *Doris, I'm so sorry to hear about Buel. You might not remember me, but I'm Mary Wininger's grand-daughter. I remember you and Buel so well from when Mamaw and you worked at the nursing home. You were her relief and I would get to visit with you before we took Mamaw home. Your family is in my prayers.*

Deborah Wininger-Hutson

Deborah Hutson - May 28, 2014 at 02:59 PM

JF

“ DORIS AND FAMILY, OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL AT THIS TIME

JOAN AND RICHARD OWEN.



joan falkner - May 28, 2014 at 10:11 AM

TT

“ Tom & Carolyn Tripp lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey



Tom & Carolyn Tripp - May 27, 2014 at 08:15 PM

TO

Was sad to hear of your loss. You will be in our prayers.

Tom - May 27, 2014 at 08:16 PM

MS

“ Mike & Nancy Solomon lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey



Mike & Nancy Solomon - May 27, 2014 at 08:11 PM

MS

In loving memory of a special relative that always was smiling and cutting up. He could always make you laugh and really enjoyed life, but most of all he was a very strong Christian and showed this in his daily life. Resting in peach with his Heavenly Father.

Mike & Nancy Solomon - May 27, 2014 at 08:15 PM

RS

“ *Richard & Vickey Swiney lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*



Richard & Vickey Swiney - May 27, 2014 at 03:51 PM

RS

“ *Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney lit a candle in memory of Buel Lee "Slim" Bailey*



Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney - May 27, 2014 at 03:49 PM