



Dale Coonce

February 17, 1937 - August 12, 2024

Dale Coonce, age 87 years, a resident of rural Tunnel Hill, Illinois, passed away Monday, August 12, 2024, at 4:30 P.M. at his home.

Dale was born February 17, 1937 at the family home near Tunnel Hill. He was the son of George Raymond Coonce and Mabel Lucille (Simmons) Coonce.

On August 31, 1957, Dale was united in marriage to Fern D. Hill at the Johnson County Courthouse in Vienna. Together, Dale and Fern had enjoyed almost 67 years of marriage.

In addition to his beloved wife, Dale is survived by: his children – Susan Dian (Vince) Hoffard, Timothy Dale (Elaine) Coonce, Crystal Fawn (David) Meier, and Donald Shane (April) Coonce all of Tunnel Hill; 14 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; a brother – Doyle (Shirley) Coonce of Tunnel Hill; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

In addition to his parents, Dale was preceded in death by a brother – Stanley Coonce.

Dale was a graduate of Goreville High School. He had been employed as a union construction laborer and was affiliated with the Laborer's International Union of North America, Local # 773. Later, Dale accepted a position with the

Vienna High School, where he worked as a custodian for 20 years, prior to his retirement.

Dale was an avid outdoorsman. He loved hunting quail and pheasant.

A service honoring the life of Dale Coonce will be conducted Friday afternoon, August 16, 2024, at 1 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Darrell Ford will officiate.

Burial will be in the Webb Cemetery, near Tunnel Hill.

Visitation will be held Friday, August 16, 2024, from 11 A.M. until the funeral hour at 1 P.M. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105-1905.

Cemetery Details

Webb Cemetery

Webb Cemetery Lane
Tunnel Hill, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **16**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
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Tribute Wall

CF

“ Dale's Mother was sister to my Grandmother, Grace Simmons Harris from Tunnel Hill. On behalf of the family, I would like to express condolences from the rest of the family on Grace Simmons side.

Connie Fishman - January 17, 2025 at 11:24 PM

GM

“ Gavin Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Gavin Mitchell - September 11, 2024 at 02:29 PM

KB

“ Crystal, sorry about your dad. I just found out he passed away. Prayers to you and your family.

Kristi Burnett - August 24, 2024 at 11:49 PM

RC

“ I am so sorry to learn of Dale's passing. He was a truly great gentleman, and I loved his sense of humor. My condolences to Fern, his children and grandchildren, and his brother, Doyle.

Rita Martin Childers - August 22, 2024 at 12:21 PM

NM

“ Sorry I missed the wake. Dale was just a positive influence in my life! I hope he and my dad find endless covies up in quail heaven

Neil Martin - August 18, 2024 at 08:03 PM

RJ

“ Fern and Family sorry for your loss Prayers and thoughts are with all of you, AN EXELENT ROLE MODEL HE will be missed

Randy Jackson - August 17, 2024 at 02:32 PM

MH

“ Martha Henshaw-Crane lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Martha Henshaw-Crane - August 16, 2024 at 09:03 AM

RJ

“ Roger & Debby Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Roger & Debby Johnson - August 14, 2024 at 09:54 PM

JS

“ John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Dale Coonce



John Slack - August 14, 2024 at 10:34 AM

JR

“ *Sending condolences to all the family.*



Jim & Rosemary Rouse - August 14, 2024 at 10:04 AM

LG

“ *Lora Goddard lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



Lora Goddard - August 14, 2024 at 09:41 AM

JT

“ *J. C. Thomas lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



J. C. Thomas - August 14, 2024 at 09:34 AM

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



Bobby Rentfro - August 14, 2024 at 03:30 AM

LF

“ *LaRay and Scott Capron And family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dale Coonce.*



LaRay and Scott Capron And family - August 13, 2024 at 07:32 PM

DS

“ *Dale Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



Dale Schierbaum - August 13, 2024 at 07:17 PM

VH

“ *Virginia Harner lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



Virginia Harner - August 13, 2024 at 07:13 PM

SV

“ *Shari Verkey lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce*



Shari Verkey - August 13, 2024 at 07:12 PM



“ Jeannie McCall lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Jeannie McCall - August 13, 2024 at 12:56 PM



“ Tammy Werner-King lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Tammy Werner-King - August 13, 2024 at 12:10 PM



“ Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Dale Coonce



Barbara jeffress - August 13, 2024 at 11:18 AM



“ Dale was one of my Dad's favorite cousins & they shared great hunting days & fun stories. I remember him as a very kind soul. So sorry for your loss.
Mickey (Martin) Finch

Mickey Finch - August 13, 2024 at 09:05 AM