



Ernie Black

June 3, 1925 - January 30, 2005

Ernie Black, son of Gertie Black, was born June 3, 1925 in the Happy Hollow community (Johnson County), Illinois. He departed this life Sunday afternoon, January 30, 2005 at 1:58 PM at Hillview Health Care Center in Vienna, IL. At the time of his passing, Ernie had attained the age of 79 years & 7 months & 27 days.

Ernie was united in marriage to Sybil L. (Crawford) on November 21, 1956 in Goreville, IL. She preceded him in death on February 9, 1959. He was later united in marriage to Juanita (Stout) Royster on June 29, 1968 at Buncombe, IL. She survives.

Other survivors include: 2 Daughters *f?*" Kathy & Eddie Holt of Paducah, KY, & Marie & John Hancock of Kankakee, IL; a Son *f?*" James & Phyllis Royster of Vienna, IL; a Daughter-in-Law *f?*" Shari Royster of Kankakee, IL; 13 Grandchildren; Several Great & Great-Great Grandchildren; Several Cousins & many Dear Friends.

In addition to his Mother & First Wife, Ernie was preceded in death by: a Son *f?*" Lewis L. Royster; 2 Great Grandchildren; 2 Brothers *f?*" Roland Black & George Black.

Ernie was a retired general laborer & pipe line construction worker. He later worked as a night watchman at Southern Illinois Materials, until his retirement in 2001. Ernie attended Mt. Hebron Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Ernie was a fun loving & good hearted neighbor.

As an early child, Ernie was befriended by John Goddard, from whom he

learned to love tilling the soil & gardening. Mr. Goddard was a Father figure to Ernie who taught him many valuable life lessons, such as *f?oin* order to have friends, you must first be one.*f??*

Ernie leaves his family & many dear friends to cherish his memory.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, February 2, 2005, at 1 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Rev. Gary DeRossett will officiate.

Interment will be in the Mt. Hebron Cemetery, west of Goreville, IL. Friends may call after 4 PM Tuesday at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Memorials may be made to the Heather Harper Treat Memorial Cancer Fund, PO Box 96, Vienna, IL 62995

Tribute Wall



“ *Ernie Black*

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“ *I,m sorry about your lost.\nEddie should remember me. He use to buy baseball cards from me when I lived in paducah. does Eddie still have his card shop? Please let Eddie know that my brother Tim died in October 2001 and my Dad died in January 2004. Eddie might remember that my mom died in 1994. Well I`m married now I`ve been happily married for 10 years now. I live in Carbondale, Illinois. Once again you have my sympathy of Earnie. I never knew him but I know Eddie Holt. If he was anything like Eddie then must have been a good guy.\n\n Sorry about Earnie\n Senserley a friend\n Dennis Black###imported-begin###dennis black###imported-end##*

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“ *To Ernie`s family. We wanted you to know that Ernie was a special man, not only to us but to all that knew him. We will miss him going by our house every day and hearing him honk at us, while he was headed to visit his Wife. Also when he`d stop just to set & talk. He was one of a kind...from the old school and a great guy. Our thoughts are with his entire family.\nWith Our Deepest Sympathy,\nBob & Shordy Ramsey###imported-begin###Bob & Shordy Ramsey###imported-end##*

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