



Harold E. Orr

January 30, 1924 - March 29, 2018

Harold E. Orr, age 94 years, a resident of Vienna, passed away Thursday afternoon, March 29, 2018, at 2:30 PM at Union County Hospital in Anna.

Harold was born January 30, 1924 in the Reynoldsville community in Union County Illinois. He was the third child and youngest son of John and Jesse (McCloud) Orr.

Harold was united in marriage to Vivian Fowler. To this union, 2 sons, John and Robert, were born. On January 15, 1955, Harold was united in marriage to Rose Mary (nee Hunt) Crain at the Vienna First United Methodist Church. She survives.

In addition to his wife, Harold is survived by: his sons – John E. (Carole) Orr of Star, Idaho and Robert L. (Mary) Orr of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; 3 step children – Michael E. Crain and Larry J. Crain both of Vienna and Patricia L. (Steve) Crain-Stroud of Raleigh, North Carolina; 8 grandchildren – John G. Orr, Robin Anders, Granger Roseberry, Michaeline A. Schuetz, Katrina Orr, Chadd Harbaugh, Travis Crain and Blake Crain and several great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Harold was preceded in death by 2 brothers – Carl Orr and Albert Orr and a sister – Evelyn Livesay.

Harold attended the Big Barn Grade School near Ware, Illinois and was a graduate of the Wolf Lake High School. Following his high school graduation, Harold worked briefly for McDonnell Aircraft Corporation in St. Louis prior to his military enlistment. Harold served honorably in the U.S. Navy Air Corps during World War II as a pilot on the carrier "Makin Island." During the Korean Conflict, Harold was recalled into service and served in the Mediterranean Sea. He was honorably discharged on April 16, 1954 having attained the rank of Lieutenant. Harold was a member of the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222 in Vienna.

Harold had a love of the land and was a lifelong farmer in Union County. He raised row crops in the Ware Bottoms as well as cattle farming in the Mt. Pleasant Community.

Harold had a passion for flying from the days he flew Corsairs during his military service and for many years afterward as a private aircraft pilot. He and Rose Mary flew all over the United States together. He also enjoyed the camaraderie and staying in contact with his flying buddies from Flight 4312.

Harold was of the Baptist faith. He enjoyed spending quiet time reading. Harold particularly enjoyed western novels.

A memorial service honoring the life of Harold Orr will be held Wednesday, April 4, 2018, at 1 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Rev. Dr. Joe Richard and Pastor Bill Littrell will officiate. Military honors will be accorded by the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222 and the U.S. Navy burial honors detail.

Interment will be at a later date in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Illinois Veterans Home of Anna (Employee Benefit), 792 North Main St., Anna, IL 62906.

Cemetery Details

Vienna Fraternal Cemetery

N. 6th Street
Vienna, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Military Honors & Flag Presentation

APR 4. 1:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harold E. Orr*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Ron McBride lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr*



Ron McBride - April 12, 2018 at 05:40 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss Rosemary and family. Prayers of comfort for all of you. Russ and Karla Hale*



Karla - March 30, 2018 at 09:27 PM



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Karla - March 30, 2018 at 09:25 PM



“ Jeannie McCall sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold E. Orr



Jeannie McCall - March 30, 2018 at 08:20 PM



Bob and I are so sorry for your loss.

Jeannie McCall - March 30, 2018 at 08:21 PM



“ So sorry for your loss.

Richard and Joan Owen



JoanFaulkner-Owen - March 30, 2018 at 01:37 PM



“ Sam Riley & Deb Newton lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr



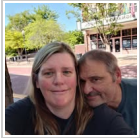
Sam Riley & Deb Newton - March 30, 2018 at 11:04 AM

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“ *Beggs Gurley VFW 5222 lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr*



Beggs Gurley VFW 5222 - March 30, 2018 at 10:10 AM



“ *Amanda Fairless lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr*



Amanda Fairless - March 30, 2018 at 06:38 AM

EH

“ *Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr*



Ernie Henshaw - March 29, 2018 at 10:53 PM

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“ I used to chop Johnson grass in his soybeans and put up hay in the summer at his Mt. Pleasant farm. I was only 16 years old, if we worked hard in the fields at the end of the day Mr. Orr would let us have one beer out of the fridge in his barn to cool down, and then he would let us go swimming in the pond to wash all the dirt and grime off us. Mr. Orr also gave me and my brothers our very first plane ride, he even let me steer the plane! That has been 40 years ago and it still brings a smile to my face, Thank You Mr. Orr and rest in peace. Kenny Newman

Kenny Newman - March 29, 2018 at 10:09 PM

JR

“ James And Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr



James and Diane Rainbolt - March 29, 2018 at 07:53 PM

WF

“ Wanda Florey lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr



Wanda Florey - March 29, 2018 at 06:57 PM

RB

“ *Rich And Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Harold E. Orr*



Rich and Karen Brumley - March 29, 2018 at 06:43 PM