



## Omer C. Morris

October 7, 1921 - April 12, 2014

Omer C. Morris, age 92 years, a resident of rural Simpson, IL (the Flatwoods community), passed away Saturday evening, April 12, 2014, at 10:50 PM at Baptist Health in Paducah, Kentucky.

Omer was born October 7, 1921 on the family homestead in the Flatwoods community. He was the son of Wayne & Wandie (Bass) Morris.

Omer was united in marriage to Jackie Blackard on June 14, 1946 in Peoria, Illinois. She preceded him in death on March 25, 2013.

Survivors include: his sons & daughters-in-law – Mike (Tammy) Morris of Hickory, KY, Steve (Lila) Morris and Phillip (Patty) Morris all of Simpson; 7 grandchildren – Dustin, Shanna, Cody, Andrea, Alisha, Emily, and Neil; 2 great grandsons – Drew and Nolan; a brother & sister-in-law – Donnie (Jolene) Morris of the Flatwoods community; a sister – Faye Bowman of the Dixon Springs community; nieces, nephews, other relatives & many dear friends.

In addition to his parents and wife, Omer was preceded in death by: a brother – Floyd Eugene Morris and a brother-in-law – Earl “Pete” Bowman.

Omer was a U.S. Army veteran. He served in the Pacific theater of operation

during World War II. Omer received two bronze stars for service in Leyte and in Okinawa. Following his honorable discharge from military service, Omer began his working career with a metal fabrication company in Peoria, Illinois. He was re-located by this company to Colorado Springs, Colorado to assist with the opening of a metal fabrication plant. Upon his return to Southern Illinois, Omer worked as an automotive mechanic during a career that spanned 48 years. During this time, Omer was employed by automobile dealerships in Vienna operated by Jim Pearl, Joe Farris, Marion Johns, and John DeLeonardo.

Omer was a faithful and devoted member of County Line Baptist Church, where he had served as a trustee for over 50 years. Omer loved working in his yard, his home and garage.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday morning, April 16, 2014, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Omer's son, Pastor Mike Morris, will officiate. Burial will be in the Kerley Cemetery in the Flatwoods community. Bro. David Faulkner will conduct the committal service. A military flag presentation service will be accorded by the Illinois National Guard Burial Honors Detail.

Visitation will be held from 10 AM – 11 AM Wednesday at Bailey Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Kerley Cemetery, c/o Donnie Morris, 146 Bull Pen Road, Simpson, IL 62985.

# Cemetery Details

## Kerley Cemetery

Kerley Lane  
Simpson, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Service

APR 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Omer C. Morris*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Bill And Barbara Evitts Bender lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris*



**Bill and Barbara Evitts Bender** - April 18, 2014 at 04:32 PM



“ *Sincere sympathy at your father's passing. May good memories of a life shared be of comfort to each. God bless.*



**Wanda (Sharp) Florey** - April 16, 2014 at 07:00 PM



“ *Ashley Brack lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris*



**Ashley Brack** - April 15, 2014 at 09:27 PM



*With Deepest Sympathy*

**Ashley Brack** - April 15, 2014 at 09:29 PM

LM

“ Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris



Larry and Carolyn McGill - April 15, 2014 at 01:14 PM

RQ

“ Rosalee Quertermous lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris



Rosalee Quertermous - April 15, 2014 at 11:16 AM

SB

“ Shannon Bowman lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris



Shannon Bowman - April 15, 2014 at 09:41 AM

IP

“ Imogene And Ray Phelps lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris



Imogene and Ray Phelps - April 14, 2014 at 10:44 PM

CW

“ Heartfelt condolences go out to Omers family, on the loss of a sweet, gentle soul. He will be missed so much.

Carmen & George Wells - April 14, 2014 at 04:56 PM

BB

“ Keeping you all in our prayers.  
Brad & Barb Bowman



Brad & Barb Bowman - April 14, 2014 at 04:12 PM

DM

“ Don & Alice Morris lit a candle in memory of  
Omer C. Morris



Don & Alice Morris - April 14, 2014 at 02:26 PM

SF

“ Susan Ferreira lit a candle in memory of  
Omer C. Morris



Susan Ferreira - April 14, 2014 at 10:36 AM

JF

“ Always enjoyed seeing Omer. So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.

*Joan and Richard Owen*

---

**joan faulkner** - April 14, 2014 at 10:20 AM



“ Cracra Morris lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris

---

**Cracra Morris** - April 13, 2014 at 04:24 PM



VJ

“ Virginia Breeden Jones lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris

---

**Virginia Breeden Jones** - April 13, 2014 at 03:30 PM



PB

“ Pat & Jim Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Omer C. Morris

---

**Pat & Jim Blankenship** - April 13, 2014 at 08:55 AM

