



Raymond G. Buhs

August 25, 1926 - September 4, 2020

Raymond George Buhs, 94, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Friday, September 4, 2020 at St. Francis Medical Center.

He was born August 25, 1926 to George and Mary Wiedefield Buhs.

Ray was a loving and devoted husband for nearly 74 years to Evelyn Henderson. Together, they build a beautiful, loving family that they proudly watched grow for more than seven decades. Ray was a hard-working man who was devoted to his family, country and his community.

Ray served his country as a member of the United States Navy in the South Pacific during World War II and in Korea during the Korean War. He didn't often talk about his military service, but he proudly wore his USS Gage hat.

When Ray returned home, he began to build a reputation as a businessman and community leader. Ray went about serving his community in quiet ways. In 2018, he won the Spirit of America Award given by the Southeast Missourian. The many committees and boards he served on throughout his nine decades surprised even his family. He simply showed up for his community and never expected recognition.

Ray was also an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and served on many boards and committees there, as well. He was active in The Chateau Girardeau Community, where he was on the board of directors for 12 years and loved participating in the social hours he helped to create.

He will be deeply missed by his wife, Evelyn and his daughters, LaDeva A. (David) Enderle of Cape Girardeau and Mary Lou (Bill) Grayson of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He was so proud of his girls, their husbands and their families. His four grandchildren were blessed to have him as a part of their lives: Ray Enderle of Cape Girardeau; Jay Grayson of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Melanie (Nick) Loeffler of Wake Forest, North Carolina; and

Melissa (Neal) Essner of Dubuque, Iowa. Ray enjoyed every moment he had with his seven great-grandchildren, Collin and Maria Enderle, Grayson and Sloane Loeffler, and Dylan, Spencer and Tyler Essner.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant son, Raymond George Jr., and a brother, Elmer Buhs.

Services will be postponed until they can be conducted safely.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be directed to Victory Living Programs (an organization that assists individuals with developmental disabilities to live independent lives), 1001 W. Cypress Creek Road, Suite 400, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 or St. Mary's Catholic Church, 615 Williams Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703.

Ray's family thanks you for your thoughts and prayers as they come to terms with his loss.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Comments



“ I am so sad and sorry to hear of Ray's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you Evelyn and your whole family.



Susan O'Connell - September 15, 2020 at 08:24 PM



“ Jeannette Stone sent a greeting that should have said Evelyn instead of Mary, which was Ray's mother. Sorry Evelyn.

Jeannette Stone - September 12, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ I first met Ray when I was a child - he worked for my Uncle Lloyd McDowell (McDowell Motors). Then later my husband worked at Federal Materials and when he broke his neck - Ray was there for us. When Federal Materials sold to Southeast Stone, Ray made sure to move Jim to the new quarry. Ray honored my husband, Jim, at his memorial service by presenting a message to our pastor that told of their working relationship as well as friendship through the years. Ray had a full life and our family was blessed by him in so many ways. Thank you Mary and girls for sharing him with us through the years. He will be missed. God is good to give you so many years together. Wonderful memories!!! Jeannette Stone

Jeannette Stone - September 12, 2020 at 10:06 AM



“ So very sorry for your loss and thinking of Evelyn and all of the Buhs family at this time. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers...Love, Tricia

Tricia Saad - September 09, 2020 at 08:50 AM



“ Our Community & I have lost a great friend & public servant. Ray quietly served our City of Cape Girardeau in so many ways. His continued dedication is evidenced by his recent re-appointment to the City Board of Adjustment. He planned to serve into the future.
My sympathies to Evelyn & the Buhs family.

Harry Rediger

Harry Rediger - September 09, 2020 at 07:05 AM



“ Thank you

Melanie - September 09, 2020 at 07:49 PM



“ I worked on rays car for many years great guy sorry for the loss

Jason - September 08, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ God only gave me one uncle and he gave me the very best!

Susan Buhs Davis - September 08, 2020 at 03:58 PM



“ One of the nicest gentleman ever, I will really miss him, sincerest prayers to all the family

Lu Defelice - September 10, 2020 at 03:48 PM



“ Ray was the greatest man that I ever met! He took

care of so many people in his life and never mentioned his

deeds to anyone. He talked to his granddaughter every

Sunday for years and years. He called his grandson (with

physical and mental disabilities) on most Saturdays and left him

with belly laughs. I watched him put Evelyn on a

pedestal and take care of her like few other husbands. He often

went into his pocket for his employee's tough times He lent

business and life lessons to his son-in-law countless times. And

best of all, he gave me his daughter.

Ray, you were the best of the good men that I ever met! Thank

you for our 53 years as family.

Bill Grayson - September 10, 2020 at 09:57 PM



“ Evelyn and family my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Ray was a good guy and a funny one too. My husband who has passed recently and I enjoyed being with Ray and Evelyn at the Elks. He will be missed.

Brenda Vanden Brook - September 08, 2020 at 01:07 PM