



Earl Kirchhoff

April 9, 2010

Earl Wilbur Kirchhoff died of natural causes April 9, 2010 at the Lutheran Home, Cape Girardeau, MO. He was born September 29, 1919, the son of Rudy and Lovie Kirchhoff. He was married to Drucille Davenport for 54 years, and they had three children: Stephen, Sheila, and Shanon. Mr. Kirchhoff began his working life as a carpenter and was a builder/developer of many residential and commercial real estate properties. His business career also included ownership, partnership, or co-founder of the following: a grocery store, a bakery, Dixie Cream Donuts, a Farmers Insurance Group Agency, Missouri Fidelity Life Insurance Company, A&W Drive In, KGMO radio station, Atlas Plastics, Rhea Optical, Cape State Bank, an Angus ranch, and Gaslight and Star-Vue Mobile Home Park. He was a Purser and Pharmacist Mate while serving in the Merchant Marines during WWII. He made several trips on Liberty Ships crossing the Atlantic and the Pacific; he was extremely proud to have served and humbled to have survived. He was an enthusiastic member of several local civic and charitable organizations, and served as a founding member, board member, or officer of most including St. Andrew Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Home, Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, Salvation Army, Jaycees, and the SEMO Boosters. He loved his community, his church, and his family. He is preceded in death by his wife; his brother, Clyde; and grandson, Michael. He is survived by his children, two grandchildren, and a soon-to-be great-grandchild. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to St. Andrew Lutheran Church. Visitation will be at St.

Andrew Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 13 beginning at 4:00 p.m. There will be a brief service at 7:15 followed by coffee and sandwiches in the Social Hall. Graveside service is for the immediate family.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Steve - I'm sorry to hear of your dad's death. As much as you'll miss him, remember the promises of resurrection in Christ that we learned in our confirmation class. Love and prayers, Mary (Ellen Lewis) Schaefer

Mary (Lewis) Schaefer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AS

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CW

“ Really enjoyed getting to know Mr. Kirchhoff. He lived near my mother at Cape Town Assisted Living and was always kind and enjoyable to be around. You have my sympathy.

Cathy Willen - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Shannon, I was sorry to hear of your father's passing. You have my sympathies. I lost my father ten years ago. I know these are difficult times. Always think of the good times you shared with him. Your old wrestling coach. Lonnie Wilke

Lonnie Wilke - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ To Stephen, Sheila, and Shanon, Know that my thoughts, prayers, and deepest sympathy are with you! Charlotte "Chickie" Harris Nenninger

Charlotte A Nenninger - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Earl and Drucille were wonderful friends to Charlie and me. Codolences and blessings from the Brunes.

Louise Brune and Family - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Shanon, I was so sorry to read of your father's death. I have been friends with your dad and your mother ever since we bought your old house at 1209 N. Henderson. Please know that I am thinking of you and your family. My sympathy and prayers are with you all.

Jane Cooper Stacy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM