



Earl Richard Stratton

August 29, 2012

Earl Richard Stratton, 79, of Cape Girardeau, MO, died Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at the Missouri Veteran's Home in Cape Girardeau, MO. He was born February 27, 1933 in Marble Hill, MO to Melvin and Thelma Fox Stratton . He and Wilma Stephens were married March 13, 1953 at Marble Hill, Missouri. Earl graduated from Lutesville High School and then took international correspondence courses and believed that you can never learn enough. He served his country in the U.S. Navy. He was a scout master for Troop #18 in Cape and earned the Silver Beaver Award. He also was an Order of the Arrow vigil member and was a counselor for the Southeast Missouri Boy Scout Council. He worked at various rock quarries in the area, started Arab Sone Company in Arab, MO., and was superintendant at Southeast Stone Company. He was a member of Cape Community Church in Cape Girardeau. Survivors include : Wife - Wilma Stratton, Cape Girardeau, MO Son - Ronnie Stratton, Benton, MO Son - Danny Stratton, Oak Ridge , MO Grandchild - Alexander Crowell He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters. Friends may call 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, August 31, 2012 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau. Funeral will be at 11:00 AM Saturday, September 01, 2012 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Jeremy Clayton officiating. Entombment will follow at Memorial Park Mausoleum in Cape Girardeau with military rites conducted by Missouri Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions are requested to Alzheimer's Association or Southeast Hospice.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My condolences to Ronnie and family. May God bring peace and comfort in your time of sorrow.*

Ron Jordan - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I thought so very much of Earl. He was sort of a bigger than life type. Always joking and very clever. My dad worked for the City of Cape and heard Earl's name mentioned more than once. He was known to be one of, if not the best heavy machine operator around here. He was a joy to talk with. He was knowledgeable about so many things. So bright, yet so down to earth country. Always busy with some project. He accomplished very much in his life. I loved him and I am so proud that he is my son's grandfather.*

Rebecca Crowell - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Am so sorry to read about Earl's death. I knew him from when I worked at the Boy Scout office. I knew him as being a very kind, honest, sincere, wonderful person and a scout leader with integrity. My sincere sympathy to his family.*

Nancy Hilty - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Earl served as my Boy Scout leader in the 1960s. Earl’s dedication to young men served as an example, along with my father and grandfather, on how a man should conduct his life. I know that other men who knew Earl through Scouts, and his work in the Church, benefited as much as me from their exposure to Earl’s commitment to young men. My condolences go to Wilma, Ronnie, Danny and extended family.

Bob Ramsey - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM