



James Burnell Englehart

December 17, 1933 - June 14, 2018

James Burnell Englehart, 84, of Oak Ridge, Missouri died Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Southeast Hospital.

He was born December 17, 1933 in Jackson, Missouri to William Herbert and Agnes Estelle Bandy Englehart.

He and Madonna Eggers were married December 27, 1956 at Jackson, Missouri.

He served in the Air Force in the Korean War from 1952 to 1956. He served in Japan for two and a half of those years.

He received his B.S. degree from Southeast Missouri State University and his Master's degree from University of Missouri.

He was an Educator in Cape Girardeau schools for 27 years, serving as Junior High Principal and Director of Secondary Education. Prior to coming to Cape Girardeau, he served as High School Principal for Puxico, Portageville and Poplar Bluff school districts.

He was a member of many educational organizations and served as past president of Southeast Missouri Principals Association, Stoddard County

Principals Association and Stoddard County Teachers Association. He was a longtime member of Cape West Rotary Club.

He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau, where he served as a Sunday School Teacher, member of the administrative financial council and pastor-parish committee. He also served as Stephen Minister at Missouri Veterans Home for ten years and was volunteer of the year in 2011. He also served on the board for Pleasant Hill Cemetery Association in Fruitland and was a board member of Old McKendree Chapel.

His pride and joy were his grandchildren and great grandchildren, "his dog" - Piper, playing cards with family and friends, and spending time on the lake.

Survivors include one brother, Robert (Shirley) Englehart of O'Fallon, Missouri; one sister-in-law, Carol Englehart of St. Louis, Missouri; two grandchildren, Paige (Rusty) Statler and James (Kristen) Brent Englehart II; three great-grandchildren, Isabella Rose Statler, Carter Lee Statler and Mason James Statler due in July.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; one son, James "Brent" Englehart; and one brother, WM D. Englehart.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Sunday, June 17, 2018 at Ford & Sons Jackson Chapel in Jackson, Missouri.

Funeral service will be at 11:00am on Monday, June 18, 2018 at Ford & Sons Jackson Chapel in Jackson, Missouri with the Rev. Glenn Patterson officiating.

Burial will be at Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson, Missouri with full military honors.

Memorial contributions may be given to Grace United Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Russell Heights Cemetery

Jackson, MO 63755

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Jackson
708 W. Main Street
Jackson, MO 63755

Service

JUN 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CK

“ Dear Paige and family,
Your grandpa and I worked at Cape Central Intermediate for several years. After I left teaching to raise a family, your grandparents and our family remained very close friends until we left the area to enroll our hearing impaired son, Tyson, at Central Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis. I spoke last with him in early 2018 and we made a tentative lunch date. Unfortunately, I fell in February and still am not walking. My greatest regret is I didn't follow up sooner. I was so sorry to hear of his passing. We never ceased to have fun at their home, often playing *Demon*, a card game. I was so sorry to hear of Donnie's and Brent's passing too. Take care and much love.
Clare and Hajime (Jim) Kanoya

Clare H Kanoya - September 14, 2018 at 02:38 PM

JS

“ Will you please read this for me in my place today.

*The Old Salt was a special man
who came along in a time
when he was needed most.*

*A time that is now gone forever.
When men believed and sacrificed,
when hero's walked the earth in mass.*

*When patriotism was not just a word
but,
by what men lived and judged
the worth of each,
a man who lived a life
most of us cannot comprehend.*

*An era now gone
as this warriors tour of duty ends
at this station, and begins anew
in the heavenly fleet.*

*Fly on Airman into your unaccompanied tour,
we salute you.*

*What greater honor, that when a man moves forward,
he leaves behind in each of us
the best of what he was.*

*A defender, protector, supporter, victor, a warrior,
the last of the breed from an era
when planes were made of wood
and men were made of steel.*

*The Old Salt has reported for duty
that takes him away from us for now.*

*Those of us who remain behind,
remember, and will continue to remember,
because he now resides forever in our hearts.*

*As I look up at night, I envision The Old Salt,
a piss cover draped just above the eye,
as he draws upon his cigar,
quietly he waits.
The guardian of heaven's gate.*

*Today we celebrate his life and memories for today is not a sad day
but a celebration. Today we embrace his life and honor him as he
awaits to enter Valhalla with his brothers whom have gone before
him and will be reunited with his one true love. Today we salute you.*

*With much love and respect,
Hospital Corpsman First Class Jozef Szwabo.*

Jozef Szwabo - June 18, 2018 at 09:43 PM

RW

“ *To Brent and the family of Mr. Englehart,
I pray that your faith comforts you. Mr. Englehart was one of my
principals during my school days in Cape Girardeau. I remember
him as a calm person. About thirty-two years later our paths would
cross at Brent's, (the grandson), confirmation meal.
I was one of Brent's teachers in middle school. Cherish the
memories.*

Rita Weber - June 15, 2018 at 07:36 PM

BS

“ Uncle Jim was a calm and loving uncle. I will always remember and cherish our times boating and being at the lake with him, Aunt Donnie and Brent. It was probably Aunt Donnie that bought us the cool Christmas gifts, but I do still remember quite a few of them. May your beautiful memories, in time, replace the heartache that you are now feeling.

Barb Schwane - June 15, 2018 at 02:07 PM

MS

“ Uncle Jim was always there for us, and as I got older he shared his wisdom and thoughts. As an educator all his life he gave us things to think about, and to think about....till we came up with what we thought in our mind was the perfect answer and he never ask us to give an answer. He was a great teaser of words to his brother in laws and sister in laws, enjoying so many times of laughter, and happy times shared with family. Uncle Jim was just happy and a believer in the life everlasting. He was always the person we looked to say the prayer before any meal, this will be a hug impact on our family gatherings Uncle Jim would teach you anything you wanted to know about water skiing , tubing, and just enjoying time together. I remember his son Brent skiing on one ski, skiing 3 people behind the red boat with Brent weaving in and out of the other two ski's. Getting everyone started at tubing behind the boat at the speed they wanted. The lake cabin, the many different boats, loading all of the cousins in the Mustang and heading to the lake. So many great times that I can't list them all. He was still skiing at the age of 80 years young, and tubing until the age of 82. Playing cards was one of his favorite past times. I will miss the man laughter and crazy card games that were played in the basement as Monday Night Cards. Love your niece Martha

Martha Skinner - June 15, 2018 at 01:33 PM