



## Joseph Rhodes Davis

July 1, 2011

Joseph Rhodes Davis, 86, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., died Friday, July 1, 2011 at St. Francis Medical Center. He was born August 3, 1924 in Wayne County, Mo. to Joseph C. and Lela Rhodes Davis. He first married Clara Wulfers who preceded him in 1987. He then married Mary Lee Ford May 3, 1990 at Piggott, Ark. Mr. Davis served in the in the Navy during World War II as Boatswain's Mate in the South Pacific. He was the owner and operator of Edgewater Glass Company for over 20 years. He coached boxing and was an AAU Golden Gloves winner. He also coached Connie Mack and Little League baseball. He was a member of St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church, Elks Lodge #639, Knights of Columbus #11205, Thomas A. Langen Assembly, Fourth Degree, and Life Member of VFW Post 3838. He was a charter member of the Board of Directors for Shook Cemetery in Wayne County. Survivors include his wife, Mary Lee Davis of Cape Girardeau; daughter, Ann Brookman and husband, Gordon, of Cape Girardeau; four sons, George Davis and Lori, of Cape Girardeau, Matt Davis and wife, Rhonda, of Collierville, Tenn., Tim Davis and Sherrie, of Jackson, Mo., Danny Davis of Cape Girardeau; sister, Jean Bradfield of Glendale, Mo.; grandchildren, Sarah Davis, of St. Charles, Mo., Seth Davis of Georgia, Ben, Maggie, and Hannah Davis of Tennessee, Stephanie Davis of Chicago, Ill., Otto Davis of Cape Girardeau; and much loved step-family of one step-daughter, three step-grandchildren, and three step-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and first wife. Friends may call 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Sunday,

July 3, 2011 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel. An Elks Service will be held at 6:30 PM, Parish Prayers at 7:00 PM, and K.C. Rosary at 7:30 PM. Funeral mass will be at 10:00 AM Monday, July 4, 2011 at St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. Kizito Wenani officiating. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to American Lung Association, 1118 Hampton Ave., St. Louis, MO 63139.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was saddened to hear of Joe's passing. I had a great deal of respect for Joe. Joe and I go back to the Babe Ruth days when he coached and I played for him on some All-Star teams. We continued our relationship on thru The Elks and business relationship with Edgewater Glass. I always seem to run into Joe when I came back to visit Cape. We would always have some great conversations. He knew all my family and always seem to know everything that was going on in Cape. I will miss Joe and will treasure our times together. Well done, Joe. My condolences to all the family. Bill

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**Bill Stone** - June 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM