



Donald E. Barnes

December 25, 1939 - August 31, 2005

Donald E. Barnes, 65, of Highland, Ill., died Wednesday, August 31, 2005, at Highland Health Care Center in Highland.

Mr. Barnes was born December 25, 1939, in Highland to Charles R. and Clara M. (Weidner) Barnes.

Mr. Barnes grew up in Highland. He served with the U.S. Coast Guard with duties at the South and North Poles, the Pacific, Atlantic and Mediterranean oceans. He was a very good auto body man and owned and operated Barnes Auto Body in Highland in the 1960s and 1970s on East Broadway. He then worked at 4-5-6 Company until they closed in the early 90s. He then worked at Wicks Organ and Highland Machine and Screw, retiring in 1998. He was a very social person and liked to discuss politics, was a NASCAR racing fan, enjoyed watching baseball games, and enjoyed country and gospel music and gardening.

He is survived by his mother, Clara M. Barnes of Highland; two daughters, Lorri A. (Jay) Buck of Maryville, Ill., and Maria L. Barnes of Highland; two brothers, Gerald F. (JoAnn) Barnes of Chesterfield, Mo., and Charles R. (Sandy) Barnes Jr. of Franklin, Ky.; two sisters, Deanna Gansmann of St. Jacob and Sally (George) Sparks of Tecumseh, Mo.; two grandchildren, Kamm Barnes of Highland and Samuel Buck of Maryville; a stepson, Steven

W. (Tina) Meyer of Sorento; and six step-grandchildren, Nicholas Chapman, Crishaena Meyer, Gregory Diveley, Josie Meyer and Jessica Meyer, all of Sorento.

He was preceded in death by his father and his former wife, Rose L. Kamm, from whom he was divorced, and who died Nov. 8, 2004.