



Francis L. "Frank" Bowles

October 18, 1925 - July 17, 2015

Francis L. "Frank" Bowles, age 89 of Marine, IL, died Friday, July 17, 2015, at Staunton, IL.

He was born October 18, 1925, in Livingston, IL, the son of Levi and Lena (nee Ostwirt) Bowles.

On March 26, 1946, he married Dorothy Laverne Slemmer who passed away October 25, 2006.

He was a member of VFW Post # 5694 Highland, IL - Becker Redding American Legion Post # 702 Marine, IL.

Frank was born at Livingston, IL and after his education he joined the US Marine Corps during WW II where he "Hit the Beach at Iwo Jima". After service he worked as a coal miner, then a laborer in construction. He served with the US Air Force as a Reservist for 8 years while working at Scott Air Force Base as a Supply Officer. Then transferred to the US Coast Guard in 1964 in St. Louis. He retired in 1980 and enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping, gardening, and he and his wife enjoyed dancing. Frank also served as Chaplain and was a Life Member of V.F.W.

Survivors include :

Son - James L. (Judith L.) Bowles, Ozark, MO
Daughter - Bonnie J. English, Carbondale, IL
Grandchild - Roni L. (Troy) Robbins, Carbondale, IL
Grandchild - Christine K. (Scott) Stinnett, Fairview Heights, IL
Great Grandchild - Derek T. (Jill) Naylor, Athens, GA
Great Grandchild - Ryan T. Robbins, Carbondale, IL
Great Grandchild - Noah S. Stinnett, Fairview Heights, IL
Great Grandchild - Tanner Stinnett, Fairview Heights, IL
Best Friend - Marcella Stamer, Staunton, IL

He was preceded in death by :

Father - Levi Bowles

Mother - Lena Bowles nee Ostwirt

Wife - Dorothy L. Bowles nee Slemmer died 10/25/2006

Brother - Robert Bowles

Sibling - Infant Bowles

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM Monday, July 20, 2015, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL., with Rev. Roy D. Anderson officiating.

Interment will be at Salem Cemetery in Alhambra, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland Animal Shelter.