



## Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry

October 17, 1923 - September 27, 2021

Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry, age 97 of Alhambra, IL, died Monday, September 27, 2021, at Hitz Memorial Home in Alhambra, IL.

He was born on Wednesday, October 17, 1923, in Marshfield, MO, the son of Richard and Rebecca (nee Huskenson) Gentry.

On, November 15, 1947, he married Marie L. Gentry (nee Frey), who passed away August 18, 1986.

On, June 15, 1988, he married Nadine Gentry (nee Henke), who survives.

He was a member of Salem United Church of Christ, Alhambra, IL, former Consistory Board Member at church; Helvetia Sharpshooters Society.

Born in Marshfield, IL; moved to Illinois in the late 1930's, Pierron then Alhambra. Graduated from Highland High School in 1943. He worked at Klaustmeier Ford, Alhambra; then for many years at Gehrig Store, Alhambra, repairing and installing milking machines and electrical wash machines and retired in the mid 1980's. While working at Gerhig's store he operated a grain and livestock farm. He retired from farming in 1972. He enjoyed Saturday nights dancing at Lindendale Park, bowled in several leagues at High Top Bowl, fishing and hunting (he shot his first turkey in the mid 1980's). He took

many trips to Branson, MO. Eating at the Highland Diner and Maedge's were very special. He was very active in his church; woodworking and mowing grass were his favorite activities.

Survivors include:

Wife - Nadine Gentry (nee Henke), Alhambra, IL

Daughter - Janelle M. (Mark) Gelly, Highland, IL

Daughter In-Law - Sandra J. Gentry, Marine, IL

Step Son - Lonnie Henke, Moro, IL

Grandchild - Shane W. (Kara) Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Grandchild - Brandon W. (Shannon) Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Grandchild - Grant A. (Lindsay) Gelly, Atlantic, IA

Grandchild - Garret R. (Lyndsey) Gelly, Highland, IL

Step Grandchild - Kristen Henke

Step Grandchild - Matthew Henke

Great Grandchild - Madison M. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Great Grandchild - Grace K. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Great Grandchild - Kailey R. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Great Grandchild - Austin W. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL

Great Grandchild - Brooklyn G. Gelly, Atlantic, IA

Great Grandchild - Waylon B. Gelly, Atlantic, IA

Special Neighbor & Friends - Tom and Anita Duffin

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Richard Elliot Gentry - Died 4/1/1961

Mother - Rebecca A. Gentry - Died 8/8/1968

1st Wife - Marie Lois Gentry (nee Frey)

Married 11/15/1947 - Died 8/18/1986

Son - Wayne L. Gentry - Died 11/01/2018

Step Son - Rick Henke - Died 01/04/2012

Brother - Milburn V. Gentry

Brother - William Gentry

Sister - Leola Galbrath

Sister - Ella Reckman.

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

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Friday, October 01, 2021, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 01, 2021, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL, with Rev. Jeremy R. Wood, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Salem Cemetery in Alhambra, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Church of Christ or Hitz Memorial Home.

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I wanted to share a memory of Mr. Gentry..... Years ago we used to have pigeons , Mr Gentry came and asked if he could buy one to train a dog he had...so we said he could just have one. While here he said when he was a teenager he and his dad dug the well on our property. It must have been spring fed, the water started coming in and Mr. Gentry was in the well....and said to his dad..... pull me up the water is coming in.....His dad said no, not yet, keep digging...Well the water started pouring in, and so his dad pulled him up....The well is down near Dauderman road on the North side of our driveway....Again, so sorry for your loss.....

Candy Huckleberry  
5850 Dauderman Rd.

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Candy Huckleberry - October 01, 2021 at 06:10 PM

RM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Les was a good husband, father and grandfather. May he rest in peace.  
Sincerely, Ronna McGauley

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Ronna McGauley - October 01, 2021 at 03:04 AM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry.



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September 29, 2021 at 03:43 PM

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“ *The Henke Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry.*



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**The Henke Family** - September 29, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry.*



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September 29, 2021 at 09:56 AM

DH

“ *Sorry for your loss, you have my deepest sympathy during this time. I thought alot of him. He was a good man. I would see them at the Highland dances.*

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**Denise Henke** - September 29, 2021 at 08:34 AM

BS

“ *Such a kind man. Sending sincere sympathy & prayers to his family*  
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**Bob & Beckie Schrupf** - September 28, 2021 at 02:46 PM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss. An old friend from my Alhambra days. always a time for a laugh & lots of teasing. A good man and father. Janelle, will think of you often during these sad times. So many fond memories.

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**Judith Ann Frey-Kahrhoff** - September 28, 2021 at 01:10 PM

RV

*Sympathy to the family. So sad to hear of his passing. He was a good neighbor in my growing up years and will always hold a special place in my heart. Ron and Joan (Abert) Voyles*

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**Ron and Joan Voyles** - September 29, 2021 at 06:57 PM

RV

*Sympathy to the family. He was a good neighbor in my growing up years south of Alhambra. He will always hold a special place in my heart*

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**Ron and Joan Voyles** - September 29, 2021 at 06:59 PM