



Louis P. Taylor

May 29, 1952 - March 2, 2011

Louis P. \"Louie\" Taylor, age 81 of rural Trenton, IL, passed away peacefully, Wednesday, March 02, 2011, at his residence with his family by his side.

He was born on Thursday, March 07, 1929, in Saint Louis, MO, the son of Harry O. and Margaret L. (nee Aylward) Taylor.

On Thursday, May 29, 1952, he married Jeanette M. Taylor (nee Thurnau) who passed away on December 15, 2009.

Louie grew up in the Sand Prairie and Peter Station areas (near Granite City) and graduated from Edwardsville High School in 1947. Louie was a member of the Madison County Rural Youth, and met Jeanette Thurnau who was from St. Jacob. He married Jeanette in Santa Barbara, CA where he was stationed with the National Guard. Louie served his country during the Korean Conflict as a surveyor. They started their new life together on a rented farm south of St. Jacob in 1954, the year of the drought and extreme heat. Together they raised four daughters and enjoyed over 57 years of marriage.

Louie started growing certified soybean and wheat seed on his farm. In 1962, he partnered with Fred & Donald Bergmann to form Bergmann-Taylor (B-T) Seeds west of St. Jacob. B-T grew with the addition of fertilizer, herbicides, custom application, grain bins and metal buildings. He was a well-known and

respected businessman in the agricultural community. During this time, he continued to farm and did so into his 70's.

Louie was a member of the St. Jacob United Church of Christ. Louie was involved in several ag-related organization serving on boards and committees; Illinois Crop Improvement, National Fluid Fertilizer Assn (which later became Ag Retailers Assn), and Illinois Fertilizer and Chemical Assn, St. Louis Ag Business Club. Louie was host to many international visitors that were interested in American agriculture. He enjoyed traveling, going to the casino and sharing jokes with friends.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Patricia J. Taylor and husband Terry Boyle, Trenton, IL
Daughter - Janet M. Taylor-Wilson and husband William Wilson, Hinsdale, IL
Daughter - Susan K. Taylor and husband Jeff Caldwell, Trenton, IL
Daughter - Barbara J. Taylor, Trenton, IL
Grandchild - Patrick Wilson
Grandchild - Christopher Wilson
Grandchild - Adam Taylor
Sister In-law - Gwen Taylor, Granite City, IL
Nieces and Nephews - Many

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Harry O. Taylor
Mother - Margaret Taylor nee Aylward
Wife - Jeanette M. Taylor nee Thurnau died 12/15/2009
Brother - Richard Taylor
Brother - Harry Taylor
Sister In-law - Dorothy Taylor

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

Tribute Wall



“ Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home & Dauderman Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Louis P. Taylor



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM