



Thomas A. Brown Jr.

September 15, 1926 - October 1, 2014

Thomas A. Brown, Jr., age 88 of Pocahontas, IL, died Wednesday, October 01, 2014, at Faith Countryside Homes/Faith Care Center in Highland, IL.

He was born on Wednesday, September 15, 1926, in Pocahontas, IL, the son of Thomas A. and Isabella (nee Clark) Brown, Sr.

He was also a member of Pocahontas Gordon Lodge #473, AF & AM; Ainad Temple (Shriners)-E. St. Louis; Bond County Shrine Club; American Legion #1227-Beckemeyer; VFW #5694- Highland.

Mr. Brown was born in Pocahontas and grew up on a farm south of Pocahontas. He lived at Millersburg. He served with U.S. Navy during World War II. He served at the U.S. Naval Training and Distribution Center (TADCEN) in California and was an operating engineer with the Seabees in the South Pacific. He received the World War II Victory Ribbon, American Area Ribbon, and Asiatic Pacific Area Ribbon. He worked for Julius Kiraly as a radiator repairman and opened Tom's Radiator Shop on 5th and Walnut in Highland for 15 years. He farmed in Bond County near Millersburg. He developed, owned and operated Tomahawk Campground (just south of Millersburg) and then sold it in the 1980's. He opened Tom's Radiator Shop in Pierron from 1980 to 1992. He enjoyed playing horseshoes. In his early years, he enjoyed coon hunting, fishing, and trap shooting.

Survivors include:

Son - Joseph T. (Deana) Brown, Greenville, IL

Grandchild - Jody D. (Ryan) Weiss , Pocahontas, IL

Grandchild - Judy D. (Jon) Collier, Sorento, IL

Grandchild - Julie D. (Terry) Johnson, Caseyville, IL

Sister - Elizabeth Tarasuik, Highland, IL

Great Grandchild - Marissa M. Weiss, Millersburg, IL

Great Grandchild - Airman Jonathan T. Collier, U.S. Air Force, Mississippi

Great Grandchild - Autumn M. Weiss, Millersburg, IL

Great Grandchild - Jillian E. Collier, Sorento, IL

Great Grandchild - Brenna J. Weiss, Millersburg, IL

Great Grandchild - Seth M. Aldrich, Caseyville, IL

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Thomas Anthony Brown, Sr.

Mother - Isabella Brown, nee Clark

1st Wife - Arlene Brown nee Hencke (married 10/29/1947; died 6/3/1995)

2nd Wife - Patricia Lienen Brown nee Haberer (married 2/12/1996; died 5/10/2001)

Brother - Robert Brown

Sister - Gladys Crandell

Life Long Friend - Louellen M. Rochelle died 3/17/2004

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Sunday, October 05, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, and from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM, on Monday, October 06, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Monday, October 06, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Thomas B. Rankin, Jr., Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Robinson Cemetery in Pocahontas, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Shriner's Hospital for Children; Hospice of Southern Illinois; Freedom Place at Faith Care Center.

Tribute Wall



“ *Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home & Dauderman Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas A. Brown Jr.*



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - October 03, 2014 at 12:06 PM

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Love you

Olivia Patterson - April 22, 2024 at 03:50 AM

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“ *I'll always have fond memories of spending time out at his campsite with him doing different things like fishing and so forth. That was a long time ago, but they were good times and will live on in my memory. Rest assured he WILL be missed.*

David Thiel - October 04, 2014 at 07:36 PM



“ *Patti Muich lit a candle in memory of Thomas A. Brown Jr.*



Patti Muich - October 04, 2014 at 06:50 AM