



## Vernon E. Buske

September 27, 1932 - January 1, 2014

Vernon E. Buske, age 81 of Alhambra, IL, died Wednesday, January 01, 2014, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born September 27, 1932, in Old Ripley, IL, the son of Henry Ferdinand and Gesina Frances (nee Engelmann) Buske.

On August 14, 1954, he married Dolores Marie Hoffmann who survives.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine where he had served on the Church Council for two terms. He was a long-time member of the Woodmen of the World Lodge #105 [Past President, Past State President and Past WOW National Board member]. He was currently serving as Commander of Becker-Reding American Legion Post #702 at Marine. In addition, he was a Trustee for Alhambra Township and a former member of the Alhambra ATA.

Mr. Buske was born at Old Ripley, IL; he grew up there on a farm.. His family had lived in Troy, IL and then moved to the Alhambra area north of Marine, in 1951. Vernon helped his folks with the farm until he was called to join the US Army. He served in the Korean War as it was ending. (April 5, 1954 - April 4, 1956). He returned home to work on the farm. He and his wife purchased it in 1969. While farming, he also drove a truck for Bituminous Oil Company,

Collinsville, and later Jeff Counton Oil Company, Wood River, IL. In 1984 he started working for the Illinois Department of Transportation, he retired in 1995. Vernon had also sold Woodmen of the World insurance; clerked at local auctions; and collected all kinds of stuff. He enjoyed pitching horseshoes.

Survivors include:

Wife - Dolores M. Buske nee Hoffmann, Alhambra, IL

Son - Mark E. Buske, Saint Peters, MO

Daughter - Janet L. Buske, Edwardsville, IL

Sister - Arline Vosholler, Pocahontas, IL

He was preceded in death by :

Father - Henry Ferdinand Buske

Mother - Gesina Frances Buske nee Engelmann

Brother - Melvin Buske

Brother - Herbert Buske (Infant)

Sister - Irene Buske (Infant)

Brother - Lester E. Buske died 9/22/1995

Sister - Leona M. Prott

Sister - Norma Schumacher

Sister - Erna Smith

Brother - Elmer Buske

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Monday, January 06, 2014, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, on Tuesday, January 07, 2014, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 07, 2014, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL, with Rev. Philip H. Kershner officiating.

Interment will be at Marine Cemetery in Marine, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, American Heart Association, or United Church of Christ of Marine.

# Tribute Wall

RJ

“ *Delores, I am so sorry that Deb and I were prevented by the weather from attending Vernon's funeral. You and your family remain in our prayers as you cope with the loss of a fine man. Although I only got to meet this cousin a year or so ago, I will always cherish the time I got to spend with him and you and the extended family. Vernon was more fun to be around than anyone I can ever remember. I will miss him very much.*

*Ron Johnson  
Saint Louis, Missouri*

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**Ron Johnson** - January 08, 2014 at 07:10 PM

RJ

“ *Delores, I am so sorry that Deb and I were unable to attend Vernon's funeral. The weather prevented us from making the journey, unfortunately. Although I regret that we did not get to meet you and Vernon until last year, I will always cherish his memory as one of the greatest cousins I had. So much fun to spend time with! You and your children will be in our prayers.*

*Ron & Deb Johnson  
Saint Louis, Missouri*

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**Ron Johnson** - January 08, 2014 at 07:04 PM

VI

“ *Mark,  
Just wanted you to know that I'm thinking about you and your family and wishing you peace.*

*Vicky Rankin*

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**vicky** - January 07, 2014 at 09:31 PM

DN

“ *Delores and family*  
*Will remember Vernon as my first boss some fifty years ago. He was a good one! Gary and I are so glad we were able to have his tour this fall. We really enjoyed it. So sorry for your loss.*

*Gary and Diann Noll*

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**d noll** - January 06, 2014 at 07:22 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Vernon E. Buske.*



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January 06, 2014 at 04:11 PM

MH

“ *Marvin Holzhauser lit a candle in memory of Vernon E. Buske*



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**Marvin Holzhauser** - January 06, 2014 at 02:42 PM

MK

“ *Michael, Lori, Robbie Klostermann purchased the Fruit Abounds for the family of Vernon E. Buske.*



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**Michael, Lori, Robbie Klostermann** - January 05, 2014 at 12:57 PM

MK

“ *Mark, Mrs. Buske, Janet - our deepest sympathies and regrets at this time. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mark - we'll be in touch very soon.*

*Michael, Lori, Robbie Klostermann*

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**Michael Klostermann** - January 05, 2014 at 12:27 PM

SA

“ *With deepest sympathy for your loss. We will miss him!*

*Sandra, Brian and Benjamin Poor  
Loretta Marti  
Patricia Hawkes*

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**Sandy** - January 05, 2014 at 12:04 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vernon E. Buske.*



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January 04, 2014 at 08:26 PM

LP

“ Vernon was one of the finest men you could work with and for. His calm supervisory skills are an example I try to follow everyday at the Hamel State Shed. Even the men who never got to work with him have nothing but kind word to say. Everyone who met him while parking equipment at the farm got a tour of the museum, which he was very proud. His firm hand shake and greeting of Hello My Friend will be missed greatly. Vernon will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by many. Lonnie Pruett, Hamel State Shed

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**Lonnie R. Pruett** - January 04, 2014 at 06:47 AM

JK

“ I remember the Buske family very well, good neighbors and a lot of good times. Old neighbor for Maple Grove Rd, in Troy. My sympathy to the family. Judy "Hencke" Keilbach

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**Judy Keilbach** - January 03, 2014 at 12:15 PM

TS

Vernon Was a Special Friend to Our Family. He helped at our Auctions for about 10 years. He always Had Kind words to offer and was so helpful in anyway possible. Thomas C. Shank  
Shank Real Estate and Shank Auction Greenville, IL

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**Thomas C. Shank** - January 05, 2014 at 06:21 PM