



Basil Dean Hall

July 24, 1928 - December 30, 2014

Basil Dean Hall, age 86, of Huntington, died at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, (December 30, 2014) Miller's Merry Manor in Huntington, with his wife MJ by his side.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday (January 4, 2015) at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday (January 5, 2015) at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Chris Hayden officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the funeral service. Burial will be in Gardens of Memory in Huntington County with military graveside rites performed by VFW Post #2689 of Huntington.

Preferred memorials are to American Heart Association, Cancer Services for Huntington County, or Huntington PAL Club, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN.

Basil was born on July 24, 1928 in Wabash, the son of Clyde B. and Fairie B. (McFarland) Hall. He graduated from Huntington Township High School in 1946, where he played basketball and was later inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. Following graduation, he entered the United States Army and served as a Cryptographic Technician Fifth Grade for two years. He received the World War II Victory Medal during his time in the service. He worked for Model Engineering in Huntington in the office and as a manager for

eight years. He married Melba "MJ" Fritz on March 30, 1952 in Huntington. For 45 years, he was the owner of the Huntington Uptown Tavern. He was an avid golfer, organizing his own golf tournament, the Uptown Open. Basil was a member of Central Christian Church, American Legion Post #7, and Moose Lodge #837, all in Huntington. Besides golfing, he loved sports, especially football and IU basketball. He was famous for finding the largest morel mushrooms in places known only to him and his brothers.

Basil is survived by his wife of 62 years - Melba J. Hall of Huntington; one daughter - Sandra (Keston Smith) Guffey of Fort Wayne; one son - David (Bonnie) Hall of Huntington; four grandchildren - Shawn Guffey, Scott Guffey, Kevin Guffey, and Levi Hall; two step-grandchildren - Chris (Amanda) Myers and Sunshine (Jeff) Teusch; and eight great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, one son-in-law - Kenny Guffey, one step-grandson - Dustin Schmalzreid, three brothers - Doyle Hall, Richard Hall, and Noel James Hall, and one sister - Maxine Vogel.

Cemetery Details

Gardens of Memory

11201 S. Marion Road 35
Marion, IN 46952

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
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Visitation

JAN 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JAN 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Basil Dean Hall



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - December 31, 2014 at 07:34 PM

BJ

What a beautiful tribute to my wonderful Uncle Dean. Who always had a smile and hug. Blessings and comfort prayed for the whole family. Love you. Becky Johnson

Becky Johnson - January 02, 2015 at 09:44 AM

MN

My Grandmother Eileen had known Dean for a number of years and had always held him in high regard, I had got to know Dean at Miller's while visiting My Grandmother and we had gotten to be good friends, he will be sorely missed by both of us. Mike Nichols

Mike Nichols - January 03, 2015 at 01:01 PM

MP

Rest in peace my friend. You are part of some of my best memories. Mike Powers

mike powers - January 05, 2015 at 09:40 AM

GB

Always had a smile for everyone. What a great tribute. One of the good guys! Will be missed by many.

Gail Baum - January 13, 2015 at 04:11 PM

SP

“ Stephen Poff lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall



stephen poff - January 04, 2015 at 11:24 AM

CT

“ Chery Tobin lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall



Chery Tobin - January 04, 2015 at 10:58 AM

CT

Dean was one of the best bosses anyone could have, I am so glad that I had the pleasure of working for him. RIP!

Chery Tobin - January 04, 2015 at 11:00 AM

CT

What a great boss Dean was to work for and am honored that I had that chance. RIP

Cheryl Tobin - January 04, 2015 at 11:03 AM

BR

“ Beatrice Royal lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall



Beatrice Royal - January 03, 2015 at 10:28 PM

BR

Our family's prayers are with Sandra and her family.

Beatrice Royal - January 03, 2015 at 10:33 PM

MS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for Deans Family.
Mike and Nancy Schacht*



Mike & Nancy Schacht - January 03, 2015 at 05:35 PM

EN

“ *Eileen & Mike Nichols purchased the Fall Fantasi
a for the family of Basil Dean Hall.*



Eileen & Mike Nichols - January 03, 2015 at 12:52 PM

BO

“ *Bob & Ginny Overholser lit a candle in
memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Bob & Ginny Overholser - January 02, 2015 at 07:10 PM

BR

“ I remember when I worked at Hammonds IGA (old A&P) that Dean would come in and buy a can of soup almost every day...what a great person.

Barbara Allen Rupley



barbara rupley - January 02, 2015 at 05:11 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Basil Dean Hall.



January 02, 2015 at 03:18 PM

DR

“ Denny & Brenda Ross lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall



Denny & Brenda Ross - January 02, 2015 at 09:51 AM

SG

“ Stacey Galo lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall



Stacey Galo - January 01, 2015 at 05:41 PM



“ *Amazing Grace 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Basil Dean Hall.*



January 01, 2015 at 03:04 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Dawn Brown - January 01, 2015 at 01:03 PM



“ *Dawn Brown lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Dawn Brown - January 01, 2015 at 12:59 PM



“ *Kay Humbert lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Kay Humbert - January 01, 2015 at 12:22 PM

KH

May the Lord bring peace and comfort to your hearts.

Kay Humbert - January 01, 2015 at 12:23 PM

TF

“ *The Bledsoe Family lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



The Bledsoe Family - January 01, 2015 at 09:25 AM

TC

“ *Tammy Caley lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Tammy Caley - January 01, 2015 at 09:19 AM

NM

“ *Nancy McCoart lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Nancy McCoart - January 01, 2015 at 07:47 AM

BL

“ 30 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - December 31, 2014 at 07:30 PM

PB

“ *Patti Bowen lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Patti bowen - December 31, 2014 at 02:59 PM

AS

“ *Angela Smyser lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Angela Smyser - December 30, 2014 at 11:19 PM

CH

“ *Crystal Hysong lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



crystal hysong - December 30, 2014 at 09:52 PM

TD

“ *Tammy Davis lit a candle in memory of Basil Dean Hall*



Tammy Davis - December 30, 2014 at 07:21 PM