



## Ralph Dean Denton

July 9, 1934 - May 3, 2009

Ralph Dean Denton, age 74, Huntington, died at 9:50 p.m. Sunday (May 3, 2009) at the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born on July 9, 1934 in Rochester, Indiana to Frank and Esther (Nunemaker) Denton. Ralph joined the United States Army in 1954. He then married Beverly M. Dyer on December 7, 1956 in Richmond, Virginia. They moved from Honeoye Falls, New York in 1969. Beverly preceded him in death on December 5, 2000.

Ralph retired from Majestic Company, as a crane operator, in 1993 after 22 years of service. He was a lifetime member of the VFW #2689 in Huntington, as well as, American Legion Post #85 in Huntington. In addition, Ralph was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles #823, Huntington Moose Lodge # 837, and a lifetime member of the VFW National Home for Children. He was also a member of the Color Guard.

Survivors include one son – Dennis (Shea) Denton of Grove Hill, Alabama; four daughters – Deanna (Jose) Rodriguez of Huntington, Darla (Mark) Sprouse of Lowell, AR, Denise (Jeremy) Murphy of Lagro, Delores (Richard) Sowles of Huntington; one brother – Richard (Joyce) Denton of Huntington; two sisters – Josephine Sands of Huntington and Velma McCracken of Fort Wayne; twelve grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren, and a

companion – Charlotte Hess of Roanoke, IN. He is preceded in death by his wife, parents, two brothers – Dale and Freddie Denton; two sisters – Martha Denton and Frances Miller; two brother-in-laws – Eldon Sands and Bob McCracken; two granddaughters – Jessica Sprouse and Misty Davis.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Thursday (May 7, 2009) at Bailey-Love Mortuary. Funeral services will be at 12 p.m. Thursday (May 7, 2009) at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pete Higginbotham officiating. Burial will be at the Marion National Cemetery, Marion, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to VFW National Children's Home or American Legion Post #85 in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive Huntington, Indiana.

# Tribute Wall



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Ralph Dean Denton



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