



Curtis Rice

December 7, 1926 - June 1, 2014

Curtis Rice, 87, of Catlettsburg, KY passed away peacefully Sunday June 1, 2014 at Hospice Care Center surrounded by his family. The Catlettsburg, KY native was born December 7, 1926, the son of the late Erwin and Pearl Filmore Rice.

A WWII US Army veteran with the rank of Sergeant, he was a retired supervisor from Merck (Calgon Corporation) and Allied Chemical in South point. He was so proud to be an American.

Mr. Rice was a student of the Bible, past member and deacon of Blackburn Avenue Baptist Church and Hyland Heights Baptist Church as well as past member of Oakland Avenue Baptist Church. He was a Sunday school teacher for over 45 years.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Barbara Jean Kirkman Rice; a son, Daniel Kirkman Rice and his wife Norma Roark Rice of Hitchens, KY; two daughters, Leesa Ann Burgess and her husband Retired Col. John Curtis Burgess, Jr. of Caledonia, MS and Kathy Jean Brown and her husband Retired Sgt. Sean Brown of West Columbia, SC; five grandsons, Dr. John Curtis Burgess III of Columbus, MS, Captain Charles William Burgess of Columbus AFB, Columbus, MS, James Kirkman Burgess of Lexington, KY, Brendan Charles Haney and his wife Austin Rieley of Jacksonville, FL and Joseph Patrick Haney of Hickory, NC; two granddaughters, Kayleigh Marie Rice and Lorelei Kathryn Rice of Ashland; one brother, Paul Filmore Rice and his wife Marilyn Shivel Rice of Louisa, KY; as well as many beloved nieces,

nephews, cousins, friends, and extended family.

Funeral services will be conducted 12:00 PM Thursday June 5, 2014 at Miller Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Schmidt officiating. Burial will follow in Kentucky Veterans Cemetery NE with Military graveside rites by Olive Hill American Legion Post #138. The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM until service time Thursday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 or via www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate.

Cemetery Details

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North East

100 Veterans Memorial Dr.
Greenup Co., KY 41143

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home
1941 Carter Ave
Ashland, KY 41101
millerfuneralhome@windstream.net

Service

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Tribute Wall

AB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort from your memories, as well as God's word the bible. Why do people we love die? Romans 5:12 says: "That is why, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men because they had all sinned." How loving of God to promise what is found at Revelation 21:4 which says, "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.”

A. Bell - July 08, 2014 at 12:24 PM

JS

“ Barbara, Leesa, Kathy and Daniel - know that you are in my prayers. I am so sorry for your loss. I remember and can just see right now Curt's grin and the sparkle in his eyes! I know you are comforted now knowing that he is not only smiling, but rejoicing. Love to all.
Johnda Slone

Johnda Slone - June 04, 2014 at 02:17 PM

KB

Johnda,
Thank you so much your loving words have touched Mom and I. We appreciate so much you reaching out at this time. Our grief is selfish and you are correct, as we know without a shadow of a doubt he is rejoicing in Heaven.

Thank you again,
Kathy

Kathy Rice Brown - June 05, 2014 at 05:30 AM

DR

“ Mrs. Rice, Kathy & Sean, thinking of you during this difficult time.
Thoughts & prayers are with you

DeeDee Redwine

DeeDee Redwine - June 03, 2014 at 09:02 PM

TA

“ Tim Adkins lit a candle in memory of Curtis
Rice



Tim Adkins - June 03, 2014 at 08:31 PM

SH

“ Kathy,
We are so sorry for you and your family's loss. Hold each other up
the next days and weeks and we will keep all of you in our thoughts
and prayers.

Susan and Cecil Hinton

Susan and Cecil Hinton - June 03, 2014 at 12:55 PM

FD

“ Barb, I am sorry to learn of the passing of Curt. Remember that you
both have been in my prayers each and every night. Remember
what God has said, "rejoice when someone passes". Curt has
moved forward to his better reward. God Bless!

*Cousin Frank
Orlando, Florida*

Frank M Davis - June 02, 2014 at 06:34 PM