



Obituary

Born: Monday, July 27, 1942

Died: Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Jerry L. Motley, age 77 of Barry, IL passed away on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL. He was born on July 27, 1942 to Woodrow & Della (Ator) Motley in St. Charles, MO. Jerry married Ruth Ann Tittsworth on July 19, 1964 at the United Methodist Church in El Dara, IL and she survives.

Jerry graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1960 and went on to Bailey Technical School in St. Louis, MO where he received his mechanical certification.

He was employed as a mechanic in Hull, IL and Hannibal, MO. He lived and worked on the family farm until his retirement in 1995. Jerry continued working on the Sny Levee Drainage District for a few years until his health no longer allowed him to work.

Jerry was a member of the El Dara Masonic Lodge and past member of the Pike County Farm Bureau. He was also a member of the El Dara Methodist Church until its closing and went on to attend Atlas Church and House of Prayer Kinderhook.

In his younger years, he enjoyed racing at the Pittsfield Raceway and always loved working on cars and especially driving them. Jerry was a die hard Cardinal fan and always made sure he had the new schedule every year. He enjoyed the outdoors as well as hunting small game and deer. Jerry was an avid historian and loved learning about history. He was a very determined and outspoken man who was faithful to his family. He especially loved joking with his grandchildren and playing checkers with them.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Ann; son, David Lee (Kim) Motley of Barry, IL; daughter, Mary Elaine (Alan) Nigg of Springfield, MI; grandchildren, Ryan Motley of Carbondale, IL, Rachel Motley of Barry, IL, Jacob Nigg of Grand Rapids, MI and Morgan Nigg of Springfield, MI; brother, Stanley (Betty) Motley of Wildwood, MO; brother-in-law, Wayne (Ella) Tittsworth of Pittsfield, IL; niece, Lisa Gard of Columbia, MO along with several other nieces and nephews. Also surviving is Rhonda Moran of Phoenix, AZ, a special cousin who lived with Jerry and Stanley throughout their childhood and many other special cousins.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents; one great grandchild in infancy; nephew, Steven Richard Motley and brother-in-law, Fred Evon Tittsworth.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 2:00 PM at Niebur Funeral Chapel in Barry. Interment will

Service Summary

Visitation

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, Sun Feb 16, 2020

Niebur Funeral Chapel

629 Mortimer
Barry, Illinois 62312

Funeral Service

2:00 PM Sun Feb 16, 2020

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follow at Taylor Martin Cemetery. Visitation will be held prior to the service from 1:00 - 2:00 PM at the funeral chapel. Memorials are suggested to be made to Pike County Cancer Group or House of Prayer Kinderhook. Online condolences may be left to the family at www.nieburfh.com. Niebur Funeral Chapel in Barry is handling the arrangements.

Charitable donations may be made in Jerry's memory to the following organizations:

House of Prayer

Pike County Cancer Society