



Earnest Hunter

December 17, 2023

Earnest Denton Hunter was born at home in Dent County on September 22, 1933. He passed away on December 17, 2023, in Houston Missouri. Earnie was born to Bistow and Ira (Allred) Hunter.

Earnie was married twice, his first marriage was to Clara Palmer on May 3, 1952, to this union 8 children were born. The second marriage was to Janie Nash Hall and this union sadly ended in divorce.

Earnie is survived by his children; Linda Richarson of Granby Mo, Carolyn Elaine Howard and husband Eddie of Salem Mo, Diane Hunter of Willow Springs, Anita Hunter of Independence Mo, David Hunter of Salem Mo, Daryl Hunter and wife Brenda of Salem Mo, Donny Hunter of Salem Mo. Sister Berndean Medlock of Salem, Mo. A host of Grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Earnie is preceded in death by his parents, wife Clara all his sisters and brothers and son Danny Hunter.

Earnie grew up on his parent's farm on Inman Hollow. Attended school at a one room school, Crabtree School and one year at Licking Mo. At age 15, he worked in the sandstone rock quarry at Cedar Grove, Mo. He worked about month, then, spent a few months working with Hershel Gray cutting timber, with crosscut saw and chopping axe. At this time, he had earned enough money to buy his first car and drivers license, in Salem, then, drove to St. Louis. He began working various jobs, and Met Clara Palmer, they were both staying in the same apartment building. Over the years Earnie worked at

Fisher Body, International Shoe for 10 years. While in St. Louis, Earnie and Clara had 8 Children: Danny, Linda, Elaine, Diane, Anita, and David. In 1964 Earnie moved back to Salem. He cut cordwood with the chainsaw. He worked 38 years in the charcoal plant. Floyds, Imperial, and Royal Oak where he retired from. Earnie and Clara had two more children, Daryl, and Donny. His wife Clara passed away in 2000. He later married Janie Hall. Janie was a truck driver and Earnie rode around the country in a big truck. They divorced after 15 years together. Earnie sold the farm and moved into Senior Citizens in Salem. Stricken by dementia he made a move to Hickory Manor in Licking, Mo. After 2years, there Earnie suffered a massive heart attack and passed away. Earnie enjoyed fishing, gardening, family get togethers, he professed his faith in God. He will be greatly missed.

Funeral Services for Earnest Hunter will be Thursday December 21, 2023, at 11:00 am with pastor Bill Wilson Officiating. Interment will be in the Green Forest Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were Troy Begey, John Stogsdill, Andrew Hunter, Brandon Hunter, Josh Shannor and honorary pallbearers Alyn Cullen, and Tim Marrell.

Cemetery Details

Green Forest Cemetery

Salem, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Heather Lyons And Family lit a candle in memory of Earnest Hunter*



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“ *Thoughts and prayers for the the family.*

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