



Dale B. Conner

October 17, 1930 - August 19, 2012

Dateline: Alton

Dale B. Conner, 81, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, while watching his beloved St. Louis Cardinals, at 3:22 p.m. Sunday, August 19, 2012. Born October 17, 1930 in Alton, he was the son of George W. and Beulah B. (Bowman) Conner. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict on the U.S.S. Philippine Sea. He retired from Owens Illinois Machine Shop in Godfrey as a Senior Machinist after 43 years of service. He was a Shriner and a Master Mason with the Piasa Masonic Lodge No. 27 A.F. and A.M. He was also a member of the Ainad Temple Oriental Band, the Alton Eagles Foe No. 254, the VFW Post 1308, and Aunt Sam's Breakfast Club. He volunteered his time to drive children to the Shriner's Hospital in Indianapolis. On March 24, 1951 in Alton, he married the former Norma Jean Thomasson. She preceded him in death on March 2, 2009. Surviving is a daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Rick Bystry of Jacksonville, two sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Maryellen Conner of Foster City, CA, and Patrick and Melannie Conner of Lanett, Alabama, five grandchildren, Blair Conner of Godfrey, Kathleen Conner of Portland, Oregon, Daniel Conner, Foster City, CA, Matthew Bystry of Indianapolis, IN, and Emily Bystry of Jacksonville, IL. He was preceded in death by a brother, George William Conner Jr. The family would like to express their appreciation for the loving care given to their father by Amy Murrell and Paul Retacco. Visitation will be from 1:00 p.m. until time of Masonic Service at 2:00 p.m. followed by a funeral service on Thursday,

August 23, 2012 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Reverend Steve Rice will officiate. Burial will be at Valhalla Memorial Park in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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Tribute Wall



“ Dale B. Conner

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ I was so sorry to learn this news. My heart is heavy for your loss. Another angel looking over you. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Carol McCloskey - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss and being unable to attend the visitation.

Mark Osborne - August 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad. Your family will always be part of my childhood memories. My husband, Jim, just passed in February after about 7 months in medical facilities. My mother is still here at 87 and is aging rapidly. Love you all.

Jennifer Ukena White, Wanda Ukena - August 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Our utmost sympathies for the Conner family. You are all in our prayers.

The Jeff Bystry Family - August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ *My most sincere sympathy to the Conner, Bystry families. Our lives have been made better by our friendship....Dale and my dad in the Navy....Sue and I in school and at the Alton Cine theater. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all.*

God Bless, Brian Krepel

Brian Krepel - August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ *Leni Scherer and I would like to say we are thankful we met Dale and got to know him this last year. He was a good friend and part of the "Aunt Sam's family". We will miss him!*

kerry vincent - August 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ *Dear Sue & Family,*

Our heartfelt sorrow to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Gary & Joni Carlson - August 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ To Mike, Pat, and Susan,

Our sympathy to you on the death of your dad. What a great picture of him with his cardinals hat and jacket on. We always thought of him as we passed your home so many times. Thinking of you at this difficult time. Sure wish we could attend his service. We will be with you in thought and prayer!

Fondly,

Mike and Jane

Mike and Jane Bracht - August 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM