

Raymond Crotchett

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Raymond Eugene “Gene” Crotchett, 85, formerly of White Hall, died at 6:36 p.m., Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at Marliere Hospice Care Center in New Port Richey, FL.

He was born on November 28, 1929 in Rockbridge, one of seven children born to the late Arnold and Mabel (Tucker) Crotchett.

Raymond served our country honorably with the United States Army and later married the former Jane Harney on August 13, 1953 in White Hall and together they enjoyed 53 years of marriage before her death on December 20, 2006.



Raymond and Jane resided in several area communities while raising their four children before relocating to Florida in the early 1980’s after Raymond’s retirement from LaClede Steel Company in Alton.

While in Florida, Raymond re-entered the work force, working several years for Pinellas County Transportation.

In his younger years, while raising his family, Raymond enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, vacationing at the lake with family and water skiing, as well as doing carpentry work around their home. Later in life, he took interest in woodworking and different crafts and enjoyed spending time outdoors, with his wife Jane, gardening and working in the yard together. After Jane’s passing, Raymond found great love in his little poodle, Yogi, and the two were truly “best buddies”

Above all else, Raymond loved his family and looked forward to family get togethers for the holidays and special occasions.

Surviving are two sons and a daughter-in-law, Richard and Susan Crotchett of Polk City, FL and Brian McCartney of Ironwood, MI; two daughters and sons-in-law, Talleen and Rex McLamar of Hudson, FL and Nancy and Peter Izquierdo of Ocala, FL; six grandchildren, Chad McLamar, and his wife Jennifer; Neil Neece and his wife, Shelah; Alichia Blake; Justin Crotchett; Brandon Crotchett; and Aaron McLamar and his wife, Jessica; four great-grandchildren, Jakob, Jarrett and Josh Neece and Isla Jane McLamar; two sisters, Doris Darr and Sandy Goshorn both of Jerseyville; a brother and sister-in-law, Arnold and Dorothy Crotchett of Savannah, TN; two sisters-in-law, Gail Crotchett and Pat Gipson; along with several nieces, nephews and extended family members.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Marsha Crotchett; two brothers, Richard and Robert Crotchett; and two brothers-in-law, Kenneth Darr and Jerry Goshorn.

Visitation will be Tuesday February 2 from 11 a.m. until time of funeral services at 1 p.m. at the Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville with the Rev. Don Stribling officiating.

Burial will take place alongside his wife at the White Hall Cemetery in White Hall where the Tri County Honor Guard will conduct full military honors.

Memorials may be given to the White Hall Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund.

Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville is in charge of arrangements.