

## **LeRoy East**

## Bethalto | Sunday, July 24 2016

LeRoy Francis East, 83, passed away at 4:05 pm Sunday July 24, 2016 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Alton, IL.He was born on October 16, 1932 in Nameoki Township, IL the son of Harvey L. and Sophia E. (Klug) East.LeRoy married Thelma Nadine Henderson on July 25, 1951 in Arkansas. She preceded him in death on October 2, 1992. He was also preceded in death by father, Harvey East on October 26, 1989 and Sophia on December 10, 2006, and a great-granddaughter, Bella Rose Beckham on March 30, 2009.He served in the U.S. Navy and was a crane operator at Olin Corporation in the Brass Mill Division. He enjoyed bowling, hunting, fishing, traveling and spending time with his family. He also was an avid stamp collector.LeRoy is survived by two sons: Dennis (Lisa) East

of Florida, Lenny East of Bethalto and his significant other, Diana Battocletti; three daughters: Leona (John) Hendricks of Bethalto; Darla Sauerwein and her fiancé, Kenny Marshall of Wood River and Diana (Bruce) Balke of Edwardsville; daughter in law, Judy East of Bethalto; eleven grandchildren, Christine (nee East) (Ty) Roberson, Deborah (nee East) (significant other, Jerrod Porter) Dannielle (nee East) (Cory) Beckham, Anna (nee Hendricks) Dominic LaMonte, Karen (nee Hendricks) (Christopher) Challendas, Gregory (Hannah) East, Jeffrey (Olivia) East, Robert Sauerwein, Todd Sauerwein, Corporal Adam Balke and Colin Balke; eight greatgrandchildren Trinity Roberson, Harrison Frasier, Piper Childers, Cori Lynn Beckham, Gemma Beckham, Robert Sauerwein, Brantley Balke, and Grace East; two brothers: Robert (Shirley) East of Hartford, and Gene Paul (Wanda) East and a sister: Audrey East, both of Mt. Olive. Visitation will be from 9 am until time of memorial service at 11 am Friday July 29, 2016 at Brown St. Baptist Church in Alton. Inurnment will follow at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto with Alton VFW Post 1308 conducting military rites.Memorials may be made to: A charity of one's choice.Online condolences and guest book may be found at www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com