



Lester Gentry

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Lester O. "Mutt" Gentry, age 97 of Alhambra, IL, died Monday, September 27, 2021, at Hitz Memorial Home in Alhambra, IL.

He was born on Wednesday, October 17, 1923, in Marshfield, MO, the son of Richard and Rebecca (nee Huskenson) Gentry.

On, November 15, 1947, he married Marie L. Gentry (nee Frey), who passed away on August 18, 1986.

On, June 15, 1988, he married Nadine Gentry (nee Henke), who survives.



He was a member of Salem United Church of Christ, Alhambra, IL, former Consistory Board Member at church; and Helvetia Sharpshooters Society.

Mr. Gentry was born in Marshfield, IL; moved to Illinois in the late 1930s, Pierron then Alhambra. Graduated from Highland High School in 1943. He worked at Klaustmeier Ford, Alhambra; then for many years at Gehrig Store, Alhambra, repairing and installing milking machines and electrical wash machines, and retired in the mid-1980s. While working at Gerhig's store he operated a grain and livestock farm. He retired from farming in 1972. He enjoyed Saturday nights dancing at Lindendale Park, bowled in several leagues at High Top Bowl, fishing, and hunting (he shot his first turkey in the mid-1980s). He took many trips to Branson, MO. Eating at the Highland Diner and Maedge's were very special. He was very active in his church; woodworking and mowing grass were his favorite activities.

Survivors include: Wife - Nadine Gentry (nee Henke), Alhambra, IL; Daughter - Janelle M. (Mark) Gelly, Highland, IL; Daughter-In-Law - Sandra J. Gentry, Marine, IL; Step-Son - Lonnie Henke, Moro, IL; Grandchild - Shane W. (Kara) Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Grandchild - Brandon W. (Shannon) Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Grandchild - Grant A. (Lindsay) Gelly, Atlantic, IA; Grandchild - Garret R. (Lyndsey) Gelly, Highland, IL; Step Grandchild - Kristen Henke; Step Grandchild - Matthew Henke; Great Grandchild - Madison M. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Great Grandchild - Grace K. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Great Grandchild - Kailey R. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Great Grandchild - Austin W. Gentry, Saint Jacob, IL; Great Grandchild - Brooklyn G. Gelly, Atlantic, IA; Great Grandchild - Waylon B. Gelly, Atlantic, IA; Special Neighbor & Friends - Tom and Anita Duffin, Alhambra, IL.

He was preceded in death by: Father - Richard Elliot Gentry - Died 4/1/1961; Mother - Rebecca A. Gentry - Died 8/8/1968; 1st Wife - Marie Lois Gentry (nee Frey), Married 11/15/1947 - Died 8/18/1986; Son - Wayne L. Gentry - Died 11/01/2018; Step-Son - Rick Henke - Died 01/04/2012; Brother - Milburn V. Gentry; Brother - William Gentry; Sister - Leola Galbrath; Sister - Ella Reckman.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Friday, October 01, 2021, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 01, 2021, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL, with Rev. Jeremy R. Wood, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Salem Cemetery in Alhambra, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Church of Christ or Hitz Memorial Home.