

Herschel Chandler

Medora | Monday, October 11 2021

Herschel Richard Chandler, 89, of Medora, died Monday, October 11, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born November 24, 1931, in Medora, Illinois, to the late Ralph and Mayme (Milby) Chandler.

After graduating from high school, Herschel served our country during the Korean Conflict, a veteran of the United States Navy.

On February 24, 1956, he married the love of his life, Sandra Baratta, in Lomita, California. She survives.



After being honorably discharged from military service, Herschel took up his life's work of farming in the Southwestern Community which included sales distribution for Lewis Hybrid Seed. He was a very active, social man and enjoyed memberships in Jerseyville American Legion, Medora and Shipman Masonic Lodges, Jersey County Fair Board, Jersey County Farm Bureau, and Fidelity Township Board. He was also a former member of the Medora Lions Club, was a Jersey County Election Judge, and devoted deacon and trustee at Bethel Baptist Church.

In addition to his wife, Sandra, he will be missed by his children, Beverly Pence of Medora, Denise (Dave) Peterson of Colchester, Illinois; grandchildren, JeAnne (Adam) Hurley, Robert (Lori) Pence, Carri (Steven) Taylor, Ethan (Ella) Peterson, great-grandchildren, Zack, Zoey, Bobbie, Cora, Jaycee, Finn, Alex, Kiki; and several nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death, additionally from his parents, by two sisters and his brothers in law, Emma (Hayward) Talley and Lola (George) Smith.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 15, 2021, at Bethel Baptist Church, 29515 Kane Rd, Jerseyville, IL 62052.

Funeral Service will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 16, 2021, at Bethel Baptist Church with Pastor Lohr officiating.

Burial will follow in Medora Cemetery with military honors performed by Jerseyville American Legion.

Memorials in Herschel's name may be made to Bethel Baptist Church.