



# **Ronald Emil “Ron” Bock Sr.**

**Wilsonville | Friday, July 30 2010**

Ronald Emil “Ron” Bock Sr., 83, died at 8:15 a.m. Friday, July 30, 2010 at his home in Wilsonville, IL.

He was born on January 06, 1927 in Alton to Harry Ronald Bock and Helen Bertha Anna (Schmoeller) Bock. He was the eldest of two children born to his parents. He married Vera Jeanetta Watson on May 18, 1943. They were married over 20 years. She is the mother of their two children, Vera Jeanetta “Sis” Bock Schultze of Godfrey and the late Ronald Emil “Jr.” Bock Jr. He was also married to Walda (Gilbert) Martin. They were married in Ohio. She preceded him in death.

He married Myrtle (Lawless) Bock Findley on July 09, 1994. She survives. He was a truck driver for over 53 years. He loved driving throughout 48 of our 50 beautiful states. He had not been to Alaska or Hawaii. He had also been to Mexico and Canada. He thought Colorado the most beautiful. He enjoyed gardening, reading, fishing, hunting with his dad, daughter and friends, music, especially country western, motorcycle riding and when he had his own band, the Mississippi Ramblers. But more importantly, he enjoyed his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, his daughter, Vera Jeanetta Schultze and her family, his three grandchildren, Shawn A. Schultze and wife Kristy, Tamara S. (Schultze) Neese and husband Gary L. Neese Jr. all of Godfrey. Shane S. Schultze and wife Lisa of Alton, six great grandchildren, Alec C. and Justin C. Schultze, Emarey P. and Taylor B. Neese, Katherine N. and Darrin M. Schultze and a step granddaughter, Ashley N. Massingill. Eight step children, Robert L. Bock Sr., Frank Bock Sr., Toni Poore and husband David, Jackie Garrett and husband Frank Garrett Sr., Alma Kay Rodgers and husband Doug, Star Barnett, Verna (Hernandez-Bock) Gray. Also surviving are 33 step grandchildren, 84 step great grandchildren, 91 step great-great grandchildren and one sixth generation grandchild. He is also survived by a life long friend of 78 years, James E. German.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his infant sister, Hazel Harriet Bock, his son-in-law, Paul G. Schultze, two step grandchildren, two step great grandchildren and two step great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 3:00-8:00 p.m. Sunday at Gent Funeral Home in Alton where funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Monday. Reverend Dr. Kenneth Tegtmeier will officiate. Burial will be at Valhalla Memorial Park in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

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