

## **Steve Hayward**

## Chicago | Wednesday, December 17 2014

Steve George Hayward 98 transitioned very peacefully at his home with his family and caretakers by his side at on Wednesday December 17<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Born April 14<sup>th</sup> 1916 in Chicago, he was the son of Daniel and Marie (Fleichman) Hayward (Stepfather was Joseph Schwartz}

He was a WWII veteran serving in the Navy. He worked for Sunnyside Oil Company in Chicago with a perfect driving record for more than 26 years. He was a member of the Bowmanville Baptist Church in Chicago for the majority of his life and later Village Bible Church in Cherokee Village, Ark.

He was a faithful and humble servant of the Lord, loved his God, wife and family. He had a great sense of humor loving life. His wife and family were always his first priority. He made sure he gave his children a better education that he himself wasn't afforded. He loved playing baseball, golf and bowling. He was a true White Sox fan but also liked the Cardinals after he retired to Arkansas.

He had many friends and his kindness touched many people's lives. Live Love and Laugh describe his ability to care for his family and friends, be silly and playful with his grandchildren and great grandchildren and enjoy all things in life such as a beautiful sunset. He was an awesome husband father, grandfather and great grandfather. His sense of humor helped the good times roll at family gatherings.

He married Esther A .Albrecht on Sept. 21, 1940, they were married 72 years. She preceded him in death.

Surviving is his son Steve D. (Marge ) Hayward, daughter Sharyn (George) Luedke; grandchildren Steve J. (Tayna) Hayward, David (Heather) Hayward, Traci (Chris)

Leffner, David (Rachel) Luedke, and Amanda Luedke; great grandchildren, Steve W. and Mackenzie Hayward, Daniel and Emma Hayward, Jacqueline "Jackie" and Megan Leffner, Makayla Baker and Elijah Luedke and Ira Luedke Gore; nieces Jean(Bill) Bracken, Barbara(Jim) Coope and Judi(Michael) Horsley; nephew Bill (Joyce) Albrecht; great nieces and neohews and special family friends Helen Ang and James Morrissette.

ill be at 11a.m. on Monday December 29<sup>th</sup> at Ridgewood Cemetery in DesPlaines, Ill. A memorial service will be held at Ridgewood Cemetery on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

In celebration of his life, memorials may be made to the Alzheimers Assoc.

Arrangements entrusted to Harrison Funeral Chapel and Cremation Center of Alton.

Guest Signatures and condolences can be registered at <u>http://www.harrisonfuneralchapel.</u> <u>com</u> or the Alton telegraph.