

Gene McDaniel

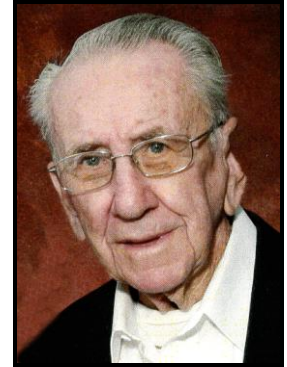
February 24, 1923 - January 30, 2016
Resided in Paris, IL -

Obituary

Thomas Eugene "Gene" McDaniel Sr., 92, of Paris, Illinois, passed away at 7:50 p.m. Saturday, January 30, 2016, in the emergency room of Paris Community Hospital. He was retired after over thirty-five years with General Telephone.

He was born February 24, 1923, in Casey, Illinois, the son of the late Clifford E. and Lena (Renner) McDaniel. He married Hattie Marie Kritz on October 28, 1943, in Paris. She preceded him in death April 7, 2013.

Survivors include two sons, Thomas E. (Linda) McDaniel Jr. and Jerry (Jenneane) McDaniel both of Paris; a daughter, Becky (Harvey) McDaniel Hamilton of Mt. Zion, Illinois; five grandchildren, Suzi (Justin) McConkey of Paris, Sally McDaniel of Paris, Angie (Chris) Napier of Chrisman, Illinois, Candy McDaniel (Charlie Dick) of Marshall, and Paige (Kyle) Smith of St. Louis, Missouri; a sister-in-law, Sarah McDaniel of Attica, Indiana; seven great grandchildren, Ashlan and Abigail McConkey, Tucker, Tristen, and Myha McDaniel, and Briar and Avoree Napier. He was preceded in death by a brother, Wendell McDaniel.



Mr. McDaniel was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of the former Trinity United Methodist Church of Paris, Prairie Lodge #77 Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, AASR Valley of Danville, Ansar Shrine Temple, Edgar County Shrine Club, Paris Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #7, and a charter member and past president of the Town & Country Square Dance Club. He was also a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3601, and was a very devoted member and Past Commander of American Legion Post #211, where he served as Grounds Chairman for over fifty years. He was active in Boy Scouts of America for over eighty years, serving as a staff member at the National Jamboree for several years, and was a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award. He was also instrumental in the founding of Black Hawk Park. He was an avid horseshoes player, and enjoyed being active in the Texas Senior Olympics.

For those who wish, the family suggests that memorials be made to the American Legion Post #211 Honor Guard, or to Boy Scouts of America.

SERVICE INFORMATION

Services celebrating his life will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at Templeton Funeral Home in Paris with Pastor John Youngblood officiating. Burial will follow in Edgar Cemetery with full military rites by American Legion Post #211 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3601. Visitation will be from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, at the funeral home.

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