



# Troy Merwyn Henson

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**M**y father, Troy M. Henson, 86, left this earth on Wednesday Oct 1, 2014 to be in heaven with my Mother, his true love.

Dad was born on June 4th 1928 in Decatur, IL to Ollie and Lelah (Ekiss) Henson. He was the youngest of three boys. He quit school early and went to work at Firestone Tire, then later Pepsi Cola, and ended his career at Mueller and Company. He served in the US Army during the Korean War during January 4, 1952 to December 16, 1953 building bridges and roads. He received a Korean Service Ribbon with three Bronze Service Stars, National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal and a Merit Unit Citation.

He married the love of his life who was literally the girl next door, Roberta Jean English on June 4, 1952. She passed away on September 19, 2014.

After losing their 1st born child, Kenneth Eugene Henson, they adopted my sister, Sherry Kay Hall. Three 1/2 years later they adopted me, Gail Lea Alleman, My sister and I blessed them with seven amazing grandchildren and five great-grandchildren which filled most of their retirement years.

Dad leaves behind myself and husband Dj Alleman; our children, Ryan (Sarah) Younker, Dustin (Angel) Studebaker, Dillon Studebaker, Brooke (John) Brill and Brittney Alleman; his granddaughter, Alexandra Hall; great- grandchildren, Zoe Studebaker, Rylee and Tyler Younker, Peyton and Paxton Brill and his friend and companion cat, Missy.

Dad was preceded in death by his parents; cherished wife, Roberta; one son, Kenneth Eugene Henson; one daughter, Sherry K Hall; one granddaughter, Jamie Lea Gilstrap; one two brothers, Carl Henson and Lloyd Henson.

Services to celebrate Troy's life will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 7, 2014, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery with full military honors. Memorials can be



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made to the Wounded Warriors Project.

A special thank you to the staff at Mckinley Court and Symphony. The staff at symphony treated my family with such great care and respect. They made a very difficult time for my family a little easier to withstand.

The family of Troy M. Henson is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL. View the online obituary and send condolences to the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



## Tribute Wall

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DP

**Dee Porter** posted:

Gail I am so sorry for your loss. Your Dad was a great man. He put up with a lot of giggling girls in our years, and your home was my second home for many years. Love, Dee Dee Porter ( Rueff)

October 7 at 4:38 AM

BW

**Betty V. Wheatley** posted:

Due to previous responsibilities I cannot attend the service on Tuesday, but extend my sincere sympathy to his daughter and family. Betty Wheatley Mueller Co. Retiree

October 5 at 2:49 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Troy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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