



George "Dwayne" Whitfield

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DECATUR – George “Dwayne” Whitfield, born in Des Moines IA, lived in Decatur, IL, passed away peacefully at home August 13, 2014 in the company of his sons. He was devoted to his wife and family for 83 years.

Graveside services to celebrate George’s life will be 10 AM Saturday, August 16, 2014 in Graceland Cemetery with Pastor Wray Offermann officiating.

Dwayne Whitfield graduated from East High School (class of 1949) in Des Moines, IA., and then was married to Joanne Whitfield for 62 wonderful years. Dwayne worked at Firestone in Iowa and Illinois for a total of 40 years and in his free time enjoyed boating, tournament skiing, performing in water ski shows, bowling, repairing boat motors, building a 1923 T Street Rod, working on his wooden inboard ski boat, fishing, and gardening. Dwayne will be remembered for his generosity, his mechanical ability, and for designing the first radial Indy racing tire drum.

Dwayne was preceded in death by his loving wife Joanne, William (Elizabeth) Whitfield, Robert (and Linda) Schreiner, Beatrice Crank, Nancy Sobel.

Surviving are his children Craig (Gail) Whitfield, Stuart (Janet) Whitfield, Brian (Deb) Whitfield, and Jeff (Jean) Whitfield, extended family Lynn (Terry) Corley, Martha May Powell, Marcia Joanne Powell; Gary (Sue) Powell, Yolanda (Ken) Powell; Grandchildren Steve (Laura) Whitfield of Brownsburg, Chris Whitfield, Lisa Jo (Joey) Webb, Holly (Jason) Henderson, Lisa M (Bryan) Miloser, Brandon (Joni Hayes) Whitfield, Lindsey Whitfield, Danielle Corley, Michelle Corley, Katie Corley. Great Grandchildren Gavin, Megan, Karlee, Logan, Brynlee, Dakota, Whitlee.

Instead of donations, we ask that you make the time to spend a special day with your family.

The family of George “Dwayne” Whitfield is being served by the Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, IL 62526.

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



Tribute Wall

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BT

Becky (Havener) Troxell posted:

I remember when I was 4 Dwayne helping to try to learn to ski. All the memories of the picnics at the lake at the ski klub growing up. I am so sorry I missed the service. My prayers go out to all the family.

August 21 at 5:36 PM

LK

Lynne (Gross) Kickle posted:

Jeff,I found out about the passing of your father at church this morning, when Pastor Wray shared very special memories of him. Whe he mentioned that he lived on Ohio Drive I immediately figured out that this would be your father. I will be praying for you and your family at this difficult time and for God's peace to cover all of you. BlessingsLynne (Gross) Kickle(I lived at 58 Ohio Drive – just down the street)

August 17 at 2:40 PM

AG

Arlene Gibbons posted:

Brian and Debbie, I am so sorry for your loss. God is taking good care of him.Tom and Arlene Gibbons

August 16 at 10:20 AM

MW

Mark Whitfield posted:

Dear Family,Uncle Dwayne will be missed deeply. He was a caring person. We always enjoyed our visits with Uncle Dwayne & Aunt Jo.Love and hugs to allMark, Mary, Hilary & Hailey Whitfield

August 15 at 5:31 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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