



Howard "Gene" Eugene Spurgeon

March 3, 1932 - December 16, 2023

Howard "Gene" Eugene Spurgeon, age 91 of Mattoon, IL passed away Saturday, December 16, 2023, at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center in Mattoon, IL.

A private graveside service for family only will be held at Dodge Grove Cemetery in Mattoon, IL. Pastor Ed Stephens will officiate. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938 is in charge of services.

Gene was born on March 3, 1932, in Mattoon, IL to the late Hallie Nelson and Dorothy (Gill) Spurgeon. He is survived by three sons: David N. Spurgeon of Mattoon, IL, Steven E. Spurgeon of Mattoon, IL, Ronnie D. Spurgeon and wife Erin of Mattoon, IL; four grandchildren: Mariah P Spurgeon of San Antonio, TX, Dylan G. Spurgeon of Mattoon, IL, Aidan N. Spurgeon of Mattoon, IL, and Jackson M. Spurgeon of Mattoon, IL. He was preceded in death by one brother, Bill Spurgeon; and three sisters, Helen Drum, Betty Hochstetler, and Martha Croy.

Mr. Spurgeon honorably served our country in the United States Army during the Korean War and held the rank of Sergeant First Class. He retired from Blaw Knox in Mattoon IL after thirty-eight years of service. He was a past member of Mattoon Moose Lodge 803 and the Mattoon Eagles Club.

Keeping everything neat and orderly, Gene enjoyed mowing, tinkering in his garage, and repairing anything in need. Most of all he took great pride in his family. He was actively involved with his grandchildren and loved attending

their events.

A loving and devoted father, and grandfather, Gene will be deeply missed and never forgotten.

Memorial donations in his honor may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in his honor or share a memory with the family.

Cemetery Details

Dodge Grove Cemetery

917 North 22nd Street
Mattoon, IL 61938

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ It's been a very long since I've seen him. I grew up down the street. I'd come over and talk to his boys. He'd come over and always said Hi.. My thoughts and prayers to his family and friends. I'm sorry for your loss.

Angela K Davis - December 31, 2023 at 07:37 PM

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“ Guy's your dad was quite a pistol, I sure enjoyed working with " Ol Slick" and visiting with him after he retired. Condolences.

Brad Metcalf - December 27, 2023 at 10:25 AM

MB

“ To dave , steve, ron
I'm sorry to hear of the passing of your dad . I have great memories of him he always made me laugh. He was a great man n friend. If you guys need anything let me know .

Mike Bennett - December 19, 2023 at 04:16 PM

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I'm so sorry for all of your loss

Kimberly Heldebrandt Bennett - December 26, 2023 at 07:57 PM