



## Ralph E. Stipes, Sr.

January 2, 1944 - May 16, 2015

Mattoon, IL-Ralph E. Stipes, Sr., age 71, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 11:36 a.m., Saturday, May 16, 2015, at his residence. There will be no services. The family is being assisted by Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, located at 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL, 61938. Born January 2, 1944, in Champaign, IL, Ralph was the son of Paul and Bonnie (Smith) Stipes. He is survived by two children, Ralph 'B.J.' Stipes and wife Patricia of Champaign, IL, and Denise A. Stipes of Chicago, IL; one brother, Raymond Stipes of Champaign, IL; and four grandchildren, Tayler A. Stipes, McKenzie N. Stipes, Maria R. Stipes, and Kambyl J. Stipes of Champaign, all of Champaign, IL. He was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Richard Stipes. Before retiring, Mr. Stipes was employed as a car salesman and carpenter. He was an avid fan of NFL Football, especially the Miami Dolphins. He cherished time spent with his family, especially his granddaughters. Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) to light a virtual candle in his honor or share a memory with his family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph E. Stipes, Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *I first met Ralph June of 1986 when I was hired as a salesman at Lake Land VW. I had never sold cars before and Ralph took me under his wing to get me started. I was always impressed with his professionalism with customers. I recall Ralph was a very neat and orderly gentleman. We had a lot of good times at work and also outside of work. He was a lot of fun to be around. It has been many years since I last seen him. I did talk with him on the phone one day two or three years ago. So sorry for your loss*

**Mark Harden** - May 22, 2015 at 08:42 PM



“ *I was a member of Urbana High School class of 1961 and remember all of "The Stipes Gang" back then. I give thanks for the memories and send prayers for God's Comfort and Peace--God Bless You--Duder*

**Carl Duderstadt-Duder** - May 20, 2015 at 02:48 AM



“ *Have a lot of fond childhood memories since I was the only girl growing up with 4 boys(counting my brother) Jim. Ralph and I were the same age and they all really put me thru the ringer, although I have to say I learned a lot . Ha! He will be sorely missed and even tho I had not seen him in a few years, he will always be remembered as a great cousin. May you rest in peace. Love Sharon*

**Sharon and Bart Brandriff** - May 20, 2015 at 01:20 AM

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“ *Ralph will forever hold a special place in my heart. He was kind, gentle and loving....a good man, and I shall miss seeing him.*

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**Peggy Scherrinsky** - May 19, 2015 at 02:07 PM