



Harvey E. Isbell

December 17, 1922 - August 2, 2011

Harvey Elwyn Isbell was born December 17, 1922 in Lapeer, Michigan, the second of three sons born to Robert and Hanna Isbell. He was predeceased in death by his parents Robert and Hanna, his eldest brother Eugene, two sister's in law, Doris and Joyce Isbell. He is survived by his wife Donna of 50 years, his daughter Dawn and her husband John Kopp, brother Myles and his wife Barbara. Also survived by six grandchildren, Nicole and Eric Goetterman, Sandra White, David and Becky Hawkins, Travis Lee Sloan, Michael and Sandie Kopp, and Jennifer Kopp. He lovingly enjoyed seven great grand children, Taylor, Keenan, Samantha, Grace, Damian, Hunter, and Michael. Harvey also leaves behind four nephews and one niece. Harvey grew up in the Pontiac area of Michigan and lived in that area until his retirement in 1986. At the age of 4, in 1927, he miraculously survived brain surgery and went on to live a happy and healthy life. From the age of 9 years to 18 he was a paper boy for the Pontiac Press, as he always said "when papers were 3 cents and the Sunday paper 5 cents." Leaving the job of pedaling papers he worked in a grocery store, then in laundry. At the approximate age of 19, he worked for General Motors in Pontiac his first job beginning in the cafeteria and shortly was promoted to steam fitting. His total time with General Motors was ten years. He then hired in at Motor Car Transport, a transportation company hauling Pontiac's. He worked there for 36 years and retired in 1986, leaving Michigan for a warmer climate. He and Donna moved to Hendersonville, North Carolina where they summered spending the winter months in Zephyrhills,

Florida. In 1991, they left North Carolina and lived in Zephyrhills full time, until 2010. Due to his failing health from a stroke he sustained, in 1999, they moved to Fort Myers to live with their daughter and son-in-law, Dawn and John Kopp. Harvey was a man who loved his family. He has been a wonderful son, loved his brothers deeply and has been an ideal husband and an amazing father. He gave his heart to the Lord in 1965 at the Pontiac Free Methodist Church. In 1972, he left that church and began attending Calvary Assembly of God in Waterford, where they became members and attended there until retirement, leaving many beloved church family members and dearest friends. On August 2nd, He passed peacefully into the arms of the Lord with family present. A memorial service will be held 3 pm, Sunday, August 7, 2011 at the Anderson-Patterson Cremation & Funeral Services chapel, 3654 Palm Beach Boulevard, Ft. Myers, Florida.

Tribute Wall



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October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



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