



Floyd Rice

October 11, 1923 - December 20, 2013

Floyd Rice, 90, passed away at 7:15 a.m. on Thursday, December 20, 2013 at his home in Carthage. He was born October 11, 1923 to Joseph Rice and Lucy "Lowe" Rice in Jasper, Missouri. Floyd served in the United States Navy during World War II and the Korean Conflict. The summer of 1957 Floyd left the Navy and settled in Hawthorn, California before returning the Carthage in 1994. He was a journeyman, painter, and contractor in Hawthorn for over 30 years. Floyd was a member of the 32 degree Masons and the Shriners-Scottish Rite. Floyd married Evelyn Spurgeon on December 23, 1948 in Carthage. She survives. Survivors include five children William Rice and wife Monica of Golden City, Joe Rice and wife Jerri of Carthage, Diana Bjorklund and husband Richard of Joplin, Debra Rice of Carthage, and James Rice and wife Carolyn of Hawthorn, California; two sisters Leona Cherry of Carthage, and Iva Jones of Phoenix, Arizona; twelve grandchildren Christy Kilpatrick, Kathryn Deer, Kelly Gustafson, Lucy Washburn, Hollie Lee, James Rice, Eric Rice, Russell Rice, Ryan Rice, Michael Rice, Joshua Rice, and Matthew Rice; and eighteen great grandchildren Abigail, Emma, and Calvin Kilpatrick, Alexandria, Ryan, Nicholas, and Devyn Deer, Allison, Montana, Madelyn, and Grace Washburn, Brynna, Amara, Dawson, Jenna, and Scarlett Lee, Terrance Rice, and Violet Rice. Floyd was preceded by his parents, three brothers Harold, Arthur, and Myron Rice, two sisters Helen and Blanche, and one grandson Charles E. Rice. Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at the Ulmer Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be from

6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 23, 2013 at the Ulmer Funeral Home.
Burial will be at Paradise Cemetery, Jasper, Missouri. Online condolences can
be made at www.ulmerfh.com. Arrangements are under the direction of the
Ulmer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Shorty was a wonderful man, and such a joy to visit when he came to California.*

We are so very sorry for your loss.

- The Bonillos

Joseph and Carie Bonillo - December 23, 2013 at 08:06 PM

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“ *Diana and Debbie and family we are very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. During times like this we go through so much emotional turmoil and hurt. Keeping in mind the promises Jehovah has for the future can bring comfort. We know soon Jehovah will do away with sickness and sorrow even bringing the dead back to life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Esther Abbott - December 22, 2013 at 05:04 PM