



William Earl Church

April 8, 1919 - November 10, 2020

William Earl Church, age 101, of Louisville, passed away on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. He was born on April 8, 1919 to his late parents, Samuel and Bessie Church. Earl was an Army Veteran having proudly served his country during WWII. He later retired as a sheriff deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff Department. He was a member of the FOP Sheriff Lodge and was a Kentucky Colonel.

In addition to his parents, Earl was preceded in death by his wife, Clara Church; sister, Elizabeth Williams; and brothers, John, Charles, and Marvin Church.

He is survived by his sister, Evelyn Smith; nephew, Michael Church (Kelley); niece, Sandra Roth; girlfriend, Hazel Carter; longtime friend, Judge William L. Knopf, whose court room he worked in for many years; and a multitude of other nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 1 PM on Friday, November 13, 2020 at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Hwy. Louisville, KY 40216. Burial will follow at Louisville Memorial Gardens West.

Visitation will be from 10 AM -1 PM on Friday prior to the funeral at Owen Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project (woundedwarriorproject.org/donate).

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

MC

“ Uncle Earl was one of a kind. I'm glad that I got to spend the last 5 years with him, loved hearing about his life and many stories that he shared. He loved people and has had many many friends over the years. He has had a long and enjoyable life, he always did things that made him happy. He loved his family, his friends and his animals. You will be missed Uncle Earl, we loved you and enjoyed our time with you A new journey has begun, give all of our loved ones in Heaven a big hug from me.

Michael Church

Michael Church - November 13, 2020 at 12:57 AM

DF

“ My Great Uncle Earl was an extraordinary man and he will be greatly missed.

Dana Free - November 12, 2020 at 04:09 PM

SW

“ Earl meant so much to my brother Michael and was like the son Earl never had. Earl always seemed larger than life to me and I always enjoyed being in his presence. He was entertaining and you could become entranced by his stories. Earl had such flair and style that you couldn't help but want to be like him. Earl was granted a full and long life, but he still is gone too soon. RIP Earl. Steve Wick

Steve Wick - November 11, 2020 at 09:21 PM

DS

Loved playing cards with you. Always enjoyed our visits and your stories of your time in the service. Deepest sympathy to his family. Don Shacklette (Dallas)

Donald Shacklette - November 12, 2020 at 12:28 PM

MB

“ *Rest In Peace* 💙



Marcia Brown - November 11, 2020 at 07:00 PM