Lisle E. Ellis May 19, 1928 - February 13, 2017



Lisle E. Ellis, 88, of Decatur, IL passed away in his home on Monday, February 13, 2017.

Lisle was born on May 19, 1928 in Decatur, IL, the son of John Everette Ellis and Helen (Shields) Ellis. He was a "cradle roll" member of St. Paul's Methodist Church. He was a graduate of Stephen Decatur High School class of 1946. Lisle attended college at Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. He married Margaret J. Jones on June 4, 1949. She preceded him in death on May 18, 2011.

Lisle served for six years in the Illinois Army National Guard, and then for four years in the United States Air Force, where he served in the Korean War. Lisle worked for many years as a salesman for Sears & Roebuck, and Company. He also worked for the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, and for Dawson & Wikoff Funeral Homes. He was a former member of the Macon County Board, former President of Decatur Township Cemeteries, former President of Macon County Mosquito Abatement District and former Republican Precinct Committeeman. Lisle was an active member of Maranatha Assembly of God and a former member of Trueblood United Methodist Church. (see over)

Lisle is survived by: son David and wife Rhonda Ellis of Vandalia, IL; grandchildren: John Ellis, Mitchell Green, Amanda Stockon, Amber Hemingway, Felicia Dilley and Michael Ellis; thirteen great-grandchildren; brother: Harrell Ellis and wife Shirley of Clinton, IL; and his friend Mary Kindred of Decatur, IL and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and his sister Jean (Ellis) Adams of Whittier, CA.

A memorial service to honor and celebrate Lisle's life was held on February 17, 2017. Lisle was laid to rest in Graceland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be directed to American Heart Association. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family at www.dawson-wikoff.com.