



Earl J. McGuire Jr.

May 30, 1932 - May 21, 2024

KNOX – Earl J. McGuire Jr. of Knox passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 in Northwest Health, Starke Hospital following an illness. He was born on May 30, 1932 in Chicago to the late Earl J. and Elsworth (Reckling) McGuire Sr., and was 91 years-old at the time of his death.

Earl lived in the area since 1994 coming from Valparaiso. On August 28, 1957 in Knox, he married the love of his life Martha (Trumbull), who survives. Earl was a retired High School Teacher from the Hobart City Schools after 38 years of faithful service. He was a Veteran of the US Army and a past member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in LaPorte. Earl also served as Treasurer of the Bass Lake Property Owners Association and Treasurer of the Hobart High School Credit Union for over 20 years. Most of all he was a devoted family man who cherished his family dearly.

Earl is survived by his beloved wife Martha; six children Kenneth (Anita) McGuire of St. Louis, MO, Kevin (Charlene) McGuire of Rochester Hills, MI, Mary (Matthew) Topelian of Bass Lake, Pamela Sawlsville of Stevenson, AL, Tina (Mehrdad) Mahdavi of Richmond, TX, and Kathleen Fowler of Bass Lake; 16 grandchildren; 27 great grandchildren; two brothers William McGuire of Bass Lake and Michael McGuire of Burbank, IL; and two sisters Barbara McGuire of Sun City, FL and Gale Schemm of Venice FL. He is preceded in death by his parents.

There will be a Gathering of Family and Friends from 1:30 to 3:00 CDT Friday, June 7, 2024 at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. A Memorial Service held at 3:00 CDT also on Friday, June 7 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers the family requests Memorial Contributions be made in Earl's memory to Eagle Creek Church, Knox.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering of family and friends

JUN 7. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Rannells Funeral Home - Hamlet Chapel

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Tribute Wall

EH

“ Eric, Tia, and Maggie Hurley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Earl J. McGuire Jr..



Eric, Tia, and Maggie Hurley - June 07, 2024 at 10:45 AM

EH

“ Eric, Tia, and Maggie Hurley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earl J. McGuire Jr..

Eric, Tia, and Maggie Hurley - June 07, 2024 at 10:45 AM

YF

“ Your Studio 703 Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Earl J. McGuire Jr..



Your Studio 703 Family - June 06, 2024 at 12:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Earl J. McGuire Jr..



June 06, 2024 at 09:10 AM

BL

“ BLPOA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earl J. McGuire Jr..

BLPOA - June 06, 2024 at 09:10 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Earl J. McGuire Jr..



June 04, 2024 at 08:55 PM

LM

“ Love, Chris, Kayla, Theodore and Maxine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earl J. McGuire Jr..

Love, Chris, Kayla, Theodore and Maxine - June 04, 2024 at 08:55 PM

SA

“ Tina, Cindy and I are so sorry for the loss of Big Earl to the McGuire's, Topelian, Sawlsville, Mahdavi and Fowler families. Earl was definitely a treasure in his lifetime. Peace be with you and his memories will always honor his life.

Sam - June 03, 2024 at 10:13 AM

BA

“ Martha and family our deepest sympathy The Abel family from church

Barb Abel - June 02, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ A “man’s man”. Loved his family.

Rob Harkel - May 30, 2024 at 09:29 AM