



Russell Bayse

August 11, 1910 - November 14, 2009

Obituary of Russell Bayse

ROGER H. BAYSE, 99, of Leesburg was born August 11, 1910 in Newton, IL, the son of Luther and Alice (McKinzie) Bayse. Russell entered the Merchant Marines at age 17 and served with the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII. He married Ola May Whitney and they owned and operated a General Farm Store, Hatchery, Feed Store and Implement Store in Newell, IA. In 1954 he and a partner created Kramer and Bayse Construction Co. and built many bridges in the state of Iowa. They retired in 1962 and moved to Ft. Lauderdale FL, then moved to Hawthorne at Leesburg in 1975. Russell enjoyed a successful career and enjoyed traveling the world with the love of his life, Ola May his wife of 70 years who passed away the day before his birthday in 2001. Survivors include his sons, Paul Bayse of McAllen, TX; Bond (Myrtle) Bayse of Leesburg, FL; his daughter, Helen (Tony) Bridges of Eustis; daughter-in-law, Miekio Bayse of Jacksonville, FL; 5 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; sisters, Betty Krouth of Omaha, NE and Marjorie Niles of Phoenix, AZ; He is preceded in death by 4 brothers, Roy, Harold, Howard and Clyde. Graveside Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 11 am at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens with Pastors Tom Keisler and Tom Piepers officiating. Honorary Pall Bearers will be Michael Bridges, Thomas Bridges, Stephen Bridges, Timothy Bayse, James Bayse, and Timothy Anderson.

Services

Graveside Military Honors will be provided by Hawthorne VFW Honor Guard.

Memorials

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Cornerstone Hospice, 2445 Lane Park Rd. Tavares, FL 32778.

Tribute Wall



“ *Russell Bayse*

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hey Bond, I heard about your father's passing today and wanted to let you know that you and your family are in our prayers. GIBC will be lifting you all up. We love you all, don*

Don Feezor - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *What a privilege it has been to be a friend and know Russell over 60 years dating way back to my early childhood. I was so glad when we reconnected in recent years via e-mail. What a guy who could manage the computer in his senior years. That was impressive. I know he longed and looked forward to the day when he would be going to Heaven to be with Jesus and also be reunited with his sweetheart. We send our sympathies to his family and have fond memories of all of you. Love & Prayers, LaDon & Bill Kallmer
Omaha, NE*

LaDon Huffey Kallmer - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bond and family, I was saddened to read of Mr Bayse's passing. I know that he is enjoying his reunion with Ola May and will keep watch over his earthly family from above.*

Karen LeHeup-Smith - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I became acquainted with Russ while visiting my mother at Sterling House in Leesburg. I found Russ to be a fascinating conversationalist and most interesting person to visit with. Despite his advanced age he had a keen mind and a sharp wit. He will be sorely missed by his many friends at Sterling House.

Robert H. Moody - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM