



## William Lael

August 29, 2009

### Obituary of William Lael

William Henry Lael, age 94, of The Villages passed away Saturday, August 29, 2009 in The Villages, Florida. Mr. Lael was born in St. Louis, Missouri and came to The Villages 6 years ago from Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Lael was a retired Career serviceman, retiring from the U.S. Army as a Master Sergeant. Mr. Lael was a WW II U.S. Army Veteran and was Catholic by faith.

Surviving are his wife: Edeltraud Hanf Lael, The Villages, FL. 3 Daughters: Glenda Pilcher, Carmel, IN.; Lois Rentsch, Greenfield, IN.; Mary Bricken, Cape Coral, FL.; 3 Sons: Carl Lael, St. Clair Shores, MI.; Jeremiah Lael, New Palestine, IN.; Timothy Lael, Reston, VA.; Brother: Donnie Lael, Warrenton, MO.; 2 Sisters: Ellen Foley, Warrenton, MO.; Suzanne Lael, St. Louis, MO.; 24 Grandchildren and 32 Great Grandchildren.

Services and Interment will take place at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA. on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. with full military honors afforded by the U.S. Army Honor guard.

# Tribute Wall

TP

“ *Lois so siorry about your Dad. We are in Destiin, Fla. Will get in touch when we get back home.*

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**Tom AND HELEN PAPPAS** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HI

“ *My sister and brother and I were so lucky to have grandpa and grandma live in Florida for a time. They were always so willing to look after us when our parents needed a break. Grandpa and I usually swapped some interesting terms of endearment like mellon head. Interestingly, mellon head was Grandpa's name for me, even in high school. Grandpa also had an affinity for scaring Ligeia, Dexter, and myself. I remember a particular incident with a blue crab from their canal. I won't go into details :) But grandpa always loved a good laugh and I sincerely hope he's laughing right now. Always in my prayers. Hilary*

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**Hilary** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *There are two things I think of when I thikn of "grandpa". First, he served his country for a very long time and for that, no matter what else, I admired him. Second, I will never forget one of the first times I met the man that many called, "Sarge". It was at Jon & Glenda's house, and I think it may have been a shower or Jon's retirement party. Anyway, I was trying my absolute best to treat him with respect and kindness. As he sat on the couch and finished his beer, I asked if he wanted me to get him another. He said, "Yes, please." When I came back with a cold Bud, he thanked me. I asked him if I could open it for him and he quipped, "I'm not TOO old for that yet!!" and then we both had a big, long laugh. May he rest in peace.*  
*Jason*

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**Jason Reese** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ *Lois, I am so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. Thinking of you, Nita (volunteer)*

Nita Wilson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *My sincerest condolences to the entire family. Having worked with Mary for many years, I can only imagine that her dad was just as wonderful a person as she.*

Brenda Lindstrom - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *I am so happy I met Grandpap Lael (as he asked us to call him) and that he had the chance to meet and spend the day with his great grandchildren. It was an unforgettable day and he was an amazing man! He will forever be in our hearts and prayers!!!*

Michelle Lael (CW's wife) - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *Dear Lois and Family I am so sorry to hear about your father's passing. What an amazing life of 94 years. I hope you are doing well, it has been a long time since we have been in touch but I will always remember you. Daren*

Daren Egolf/Arlt - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Dear Lois and family, So sorry to hear about your dad. Im sure that you and your family have many wonderful memories of him. Love, Margie and Bob*

Margie Beck - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ So sorry for the loss of your loved one. He is once again a strong healthy man. Kathy Maupin

Kathy Maupin, friend of Lois - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Love you, Grandpa. May you rest in peace.

Jill Pilcher Reese - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ To my siblings, Dad is in a better place now. He and mom are probably dancing and laughing in heaven. Love to you all! Lois

Lois - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ William Lael

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