

Alfred Eugene Pate

November 30, 1926 - July 5, 2020

Alfred Eugene Pate, 93, of Hoopeston, IL, passed away at 11:32 A.M. Sunday July 5, 2020, at his home. He was born November 30, 1926, in Mitchell, IN, the son of John Fletcher and Audrey Ella (Flinn) Pate. He married Gertrude Marie Maul in Wellington, IL, on September 18, 1947. She preceded him in death.

He is survived by five children, Larry (Cathy) Pate of Milford, IL, Linda (Scott) Mann of Hoopeston, IL, Betty (Gene) Roach of Rossville, IL, Gayle (Cindy) Pate of Greenville, IL, and Lucy Pate of Hoopeston, IL; one sister, Carol (Dale) Livingston of Hoopeston, IL; 17 grandchildren, Tom Pate, Tami Harwood, Garalyn Ipock, Holly Borgers, Nikki Jones, Shawn Tuggle, Jesse Roach, Keri Darby, Jarett Roach, Travis Pate, Lindsey Roeder, Heather Pate, Donnie Inman, Jamie Gudgel, Sara Pate, Sadie Pate, and Sally Swartz; 35 great-grandchildren; 9 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents; one son, David; one sister, Rose Kent; two brothers, John and Donald; one grandson, Ian Tuggle; and one great-granddaughter, Pate Schultz.

Al worked at FMC until his retirement. He served in the United States Navy and was a World War II veteran. He attended the Prairie Green Church of Christ where he has previously served as a Sunday school teacher, deacon, elder, and trustee. Al was a former Little League baseball coach and enjoyed bowling and golfing.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday July 8, 2020 at Floral Hill Cemetery in Hoopeston, with Pastor Brent Zastrow officiating. Due to the recent health concerns anyone wishing to not attend the graveside service may line North Market Street at 10:45 A.M. Wednesday July 8th to greet the family as they proceed to the graveside rites. Military rites will be accorded by the Hoopeston American Legion Post #384. Memorials may be made to IMH Hospice 200 Laird Lane, Watseka, IL 60970.