



Gerald Eckard

October 4, 1944 - December 22, 2016

Gerald 'Jerry' Eckard

HENRY — Gerald "Jerry" Oliver Eckard, 72, of Henry passed away at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22, 2016, at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria.

He was born Oct. 4, 1944, in Lakeland, Fla., to Benjamin Oliver and Evelyn Mae (Rowe) Eckard.

He graduated from Henry High School in 1962. He served in the U.S Navy during the Vietnam era. He was employed by Illinois Power Co. in Clinton, Ill. After retiring, he was a rural postal carrier.

His hobbies included airplanes, bicycling, woodworking and anything mechanical. He had a special love of animals.

Surviving are three children, Gerard Whitney Eckard of Hanahan, S.C., Quinta (Bill) Naffziger of Princeton and Benjamin (Jean) Eckard of Princeton; eight

grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and three brothers and sisters, Jeannie Eckard Theobald of Princeton, John (Sheryl) Eckard of Putnam and Joanne (Mike) Storm of Lacon.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 26, at the Putnam Christian Church with Pastor Terry Broady officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the services in the church. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to the Hennepin Canal or Putnam Christian Church.

The Norberg Memorial Home in Princeton is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.norbergfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

Putnam Christian Church

Service

DEC **26**. 2:00 PM.

Putnam Christian Church

Tribute Wall

JG

“ I am very sorry to hear about Jerry. I liked Jerry when he was coming to Sparland First Baptist Church. I will miss him.



John Gamage - December 30, 2016 at 11:21 PM

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Thank you. It was a huge shock to us and so sudden.

quinta eckard naffziger - January 02, 2017 at 07:58 PM