



## Raymond Eugene Mabry

June 25, 1925 - May 25, 2015

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1925-2015

Raymond E. Mabry of Princeton, passed away peacefully at Colonial Hall Monday morning, May 25th, 2015. He passed away 1 month short of his 90th birthday. He was born June 25, 1925 in Waterloo, Iowa to Charles and Gladys (Ford) Mabry.

He attended grade school and high school in Princeton, Illinois and enlisted in the U.S. Navy on his 18th birthday, June 25, 1943. He served on the USS Straub during World War II. He was honorably discharged in January 1946. On August 23, 1946 he married Marjorie Piper and they had 5 children. Ray loved sales and worked for Kittlers Car Dealership and Henry Monroe Car Dealership, later known as Monroe/Hade Chevrolet. He started his own agency Ray Mabry Auto Sales and had a Mazda and Subaru dealership for many years.

He ended his used car sales career at age 85 when his "kids" made him retire. He used to sit at his office desk on Peru Street and wave to his friends as they drove by. He was known by his friends as "Honest Ray, the working mans friend". He was a life time member of both the Elks Lodge and the Moose Lodge in Princeton.

He was also a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

He is survived by his children, daughter Sharon Kay (Craig) Locey of Bayfield, WI, daughter Diane Ray (Tom) Keeley of Chesapeake, VA, son Raymond Michael Mabry, Princeton, IL, former wife Marjorie Mabry of Chesapeake, VA, 5 Grandchildren, Renee Ann (Steven) Sanderson, Joshua (Courtney) Mabry, Jonathan (Juli) Mabry, Krystal (Kyle) Dobler and Austin Keeley. 3 Great Grandchildren, Twins Olivia and Owen Mabry and Lilly Mabry and his caregiver, Connie Green.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son Richard Warren Mabry in 1999 and a daughter Linda June Mabry in 1992.

A private family celebration of Ray's life will be held in June. Memorials may be directed to the Evangelical Covenant Church, Happy Hands Preschool (his grandchildren and great grandchildren attended there) or to Gateway Services (the family was instrumental in starting Gateway Services back in 1970).

One of Ray's favorite sayings was "Don't forget me." We won't.

Online Condolences may be left at [www.norbergfh.com](http://www.norbergfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Sterling Wilbert Crematory**

Sterling, IL