



Hassel Albert De Pree

November 1, 1922 - July 11, 2015

Hassel Albert De Pree, 92, of Bloomington passed away at 12:26 am at the IU Heath Bloomington on Monday, July 11, 2015. Hassel was born on November 1, 1922 in Patterson, NJ, to the late Cornelius and Myrtle (Boonstra) De Pree. He was a graduate of Patterson East Side High School in Patterson, NJ. And a graduate of the University of Nevada. After graduating he joined the U.S. Army during WWII he was a medic and surgical tech, serving in the Central Europe. Hassel married Helen C. Hauslmair in June 1947 in New York. He was employed at Westinghouse in Bloomington for 34 years before retiring.

He was a member of the First United Church in Bloomington, Bloomington Elks Club. Hassel enjoyed his Church, volunteering at the Red Cross for many years, carpentry, reading, and golfing, he especially loved spending time with his family and friends.

Hassel is survived by his two daughters; Helen M. De Pree of Gretna, LA, Christina L. Whaley of Ellettsville, IN, one son; Neal M. De Pree of Indianapolis, IN, One granddaughter Heather Whaley (Justin) Littman of Muncie, IN, one brother; Neal (Jan) De Pree of Florida, one sister; Myrtle Trussell of Florida.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Helen, one sisters Cornelia Vroendewey.

Funeral Services will be at 11:00 am on Friday, July 17, 2015 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 S. Old State Road 37; with the Rev. Dr. Jack Skiles officiating. Family will receive friends from 5 pm to 8 pm Thursday and again 10 am to service time Friday both at the funeral home Burial will follow at the Valhalla Memory Gardens.

Memorial can be made to the First United Church 2420 E 3rd St Bloomington, Indiana 47401 or IU Health Hospice

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Helen, Chris, Neal, and Heather,
Please accept my great sympathy on your loss of your Dad and Grandfather. I can only imagine the depth of your sorrow and anguish. Hassel was a good friend here at Bell Trace and I appreciated his friendship. He was always willing to help solve a problem and maintained a cheerful attitude in spite of his physical issues. He was involved in establishing the Bell Trace resident council and was interested in helping with any problems the council identified. We will miss him dearly.
Harriet Pfister

Harriet Pfister - October 26, 2015 at 03:58 PM

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“ Hassel was a regular at Sunday services. I would look forward to his arrival, very organized and methodical, despite his circumstances. He always had time and energy to say hello, and he enjoyed being with people. He found ways to meet his goals, and maintain his smile.
May the Peace and Joy of the Risen Christ be with you in all things.

Darwin Schmidt - October 26, 2015 at 03:58 PM

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“Hassel was one of the first persons that I met when my wife and I moved to Bell Trace. Even then, in 2006, he was battling his debilitating illness. And, yet he worked to make a full life for himself. IU athletics, his church and other things beside his family were the forces that drove him. Occasionally when he needed something extra, my phone would ring to see if I could help. Before I moved East, I called upon him in his Assisted Living apartment, a move that he didn't want to make, but did. Hassel was a remarkable man, and made the most of what he faced. May his family find inspiration in the life that he lived.

Harmon Baldwin - October 26, 2015 at 03:58 PM

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“Mr. Dupree served as my table leader on a walk to Emmaus in the fall of 1999. I have always had loving thoughts of respect for him because of his influence on my life. Through that event, Community Bible Study, Youth for Christ and other things in which he involved himself, he modeled Christ for me. Unfortunately, I cannot attend the funeral or visitation. I have committed myself to work a Kairos weekend in Michigan City this weekend. I cannot help but think that Hassel would have wanted it this way.
You have my prayers!

Mark Cary

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