



Joseph P. Adkins

February 24, 1927 - January 18, 2017

Joseph P. Adkins, 89, of Bloomington, passed away on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at Golden Living Center. He was born on February 24, 1927 in Huntsville, Tennessee as the son of Nelson and Alma (Collins) Adkins. Joseph joined the United States Navy, where he became a Seaman First Class during World War II. He served on several vessels during his tenure, which included the USS Pensacola, USS Coos Bay, and USS Pine Island. Following the war, Joseph assisted with the de-militarization of Japan. Joseph was honorably discharged on July 13, 1946.

Joseph worked as in electronics manufacturing and engineering for RCA in Bloomington. Following his retirement from RCA, he worked for the American Red Cross for over 15 years, delivering blood to hospitals between Bloomington and Louisville several times a week. He was a member of Sherwood Oaks Christian Church and loved playing music with his guitar, banjo, and dulcimer. He enjoyed reading and learning about electronics, engines, science, and math. He taught basic electronics at Hoosier Hills Vocational Schools and volunteered with the Junior Achievement non-profit organization.

He is survived by his son, Donald (wife, Cynthia) Adkins; daughters, Dina (husband, Stephen Finnerty) Adkins and Jodi (husband, Steve Woods) Adkins; grandchildren, April Adkins, David (wife, Emily) Adkins, Sarah (husband, Bill Francis) Finnerty, and Ian Finnerty; great-grandchildren,

Heather and Cordelia Harlow; sister, Janet Chaffin, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son, Jonathan Adkins, and sister, Violet Sturgeon.

A military service for Joseph will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2017 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Service

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Tribute Wall

MC

“ *My prayers go out to the family of Joseph P Adkins may god help you heal in this needed time my prayers are with you and your family*

Michele Crail - February 27, 2017 at 08:59 AM

LA

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with all the Adkins family. So many great memories of your dad from when we were all kids.*

Lori Addicott - February 11, 2017 at 10:06 PM

DW

“ *Just heard of Mr. Adkins passing. Was a good childhood friend and neighbor of my Mother's (T. Jean Harrell (Vermace). His parents and family were wonderful people and the kindest friends to us all. Donald, I (Deneise L. Vermace (Wampler) remember you slightly from school, I'm sorry for your loss and my prayers are with your family. dlw*

Deneise L. Wampler - February 07, 2017 at 11:54 AM

EB

“ *Ebony lit a candle in memory of Joseph P. Adkins*



Ebony - January 20, 2017 at 07:06 AM