



Eugene Drexel Hatcher

July 13, 1927 - April 29, 2015

Eugene Drexel Hatcher, age 87, of Laurie, passed away Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at his home, following a courageous battle with prostate cancer. He was born July 13, 1927, in Williamsburg, Kansas, son of the late Ernest and Marie (Collier) Hatcher.

He enjoyed the last sixty-three years with his loving wife, Dorothy (Knight) Hatcher.

Eugene was a United States Army veteran, having served in the Korean Conflict.

He retired from Associated Wholesale Grocers after many years of service as a truck driver.

Eugene was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie, the Osage Community Elks Lodge #2705 in Laurie and the American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624 in Sunrise Beach. Since fishing was his passion, he enjoyed living at the lake where he fished for decades.

In addition to his wife Dorothy, he is survived by his daughter, Cathy Preston of Kansas City, Kansas; his granddaughters Jennifer McGahey and Julie Kingsbury; his great-grandchildren Jason, Jenna and Matthew; his sister Betty

Purcell; and many other relatives and friends.

A celebration of Eugene's life with full military honors will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 7th, at the Historic St. Patrick Catholic Church located on Highway O in Laurie, with Father Patrick Dolan officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Historic St. Patrick's Church
800 Highway O
Laurie, MO 65038