



## William E. Iams

August 5, 2006

William E. Iams, age 82, of Sunrise Beach, passed away Saturday evening, August 5, 2006, at his home. He was born February 8, 1924 at Quincy, Missouri, a son of Waldo and Etta Mae Wheeler Iams. He grew up in Clinton, MO, and moved to the Kansas City area in 1942.

He retired from Jack Cooper Transport in 1981 after 30 years as a road driver. He moved to the Lake of the Ozarks in 1981. Bill served 3 years in the U.S. Army and 11/2 years overseas in the European Theatre Operations in World War II. He was an honorary life member of the Zack Wheat American Legion Post #624 in Sunrise Beach, and was past commander. He was a life member of the V.F.W. Post #5923 and member of the 40 & 8 Voiture #1403, charter member of the Osage Community Elks Lodge #2705 in Laurie, and past president of the Hurricane Deck Lions Club. He was a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge #391 A.F. & A.M. of Raytown, the Ararat Shine Temple of Kansas City, member of the O.E.S. Chapter #410 in Versailles, the North Shore Shrine Club, and West Lake Christian Church in Laurie.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda Iams of the home; one daughter, Debra

Salyer of Independence; one son, William O. Iiams of Kansas City; one stepdaughter, Julie Hooten of Stilwell, KS; one stepson, Jeffrey Meier of Port St. Lucia, FL; one sister, Reva Stewart of Clinton; 10 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 9, at the Kidwell-Garber Laurie-Sunrise Beach Chapel in Laurie, with Dr. Jim Sutherlin officiating. Marilyn Rothove will sing "Changing Houses", and Judy Sutherlin will sing "Amazing Grace". Interment will be in Garber Memorial Estates Cemetery in Laurie, with military honors under the auspices of the Zack Wheat American Legion Post #624. Casketbearers will be from the Zack Wheat American Legion Post, with grandsons William Lee Iiams, Bryan Scott Iiams, Stacey Allen Iiams, Ryan Thomas Salyer, and William Dean Iiams serving as honorary casketbearers. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Kidwell-Garber Laurie-Sunrise Beach Chapel, with a Masonic Service at 6:00 p.m. To send sympathy e-mails for the family visit [www.kidwellgarber.com](http://www.kidwellgarber.com). Memorial contributions are suggested to the Shriners Hospitals For Children. Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Laurie.