



Raymond E Emery

February 7, 1922 - October 18, 2020

Raymond E. Emery, age 98, passed away peacefully October 18, 2020, in Antioch, Illinois surrounded by loved ones. Raymond (Ray) was born in Des Moines, Iowa in 1922 and resided for many years in Norwalk, Iowa. He married his sweetheart Florence (Enebach) Emery in 1949 and together they adopted and raised their two children, Stephen and Theresa.

Ray served with distinction in the United States Army during WWII in the European theater. He served in England, France, Belgium and Germany finally liberating Nordhausen Concentration Camp in 1945. The following website outlines his military service: www.hshedd.com/nhwallofthonor/pages/txtemeryraymondEdward1940.html. After his service in the army, he went to college on the G.I. bill at the University of Dubuque and Drake University where he was awarded a Master's degree in Education.

Ray was a middle school teacher (physical education) in the Des Moines School District for 29 years, as well as a full-time farmer. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Florence, as well as all of his siblings, Irene Payne, Don Emery, Margorie Emery, Kate Wilcox, Richard Emery and Delbert Emery. Ray is survived by son, Stephen (Darla) Emery; daughter, Theresa (Bruce) Scottberg; grandchildren Kristin (Brian) Huber, Elizabeth (Barry) Holsworth and Andrew Rehberg; 5 great-grandchildren; Mason, Zeke, Ellie, Miles and Benson, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Ray lived life to the fullest but he particularly enjoyed lighting fireworks anytime, taking photos all the time (but especially before dinner), playing practical jokes, cheating at cards and Old Milwaukee. We'll have "time for a short one" as we remind ourselves that "we never had it so good!"

Ray's family would especially like to thank the staff and everyone at JourneyCare hospice.

Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2020 followed by a service beginning at noon at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave., Lake Villa, IL 60046. Masks and physical distancing are required. Please keep your visits brief out of consideration of the health of our community.

The service will also be livestreamed on our Facebook page:
[facebook.com/RingaFH](https://www.facebook.com/RingaFH)

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Wounded Warriors Project.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond E Emery*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Raymond E Emery*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Miss you everyday Dad...Cheers to your life, you gave us the best life, you & Mom loved us with all your heart, mind and soul. Your famous words.. "You Never Had It So Good" And you gave us that life...we will pass it on and on.*

Daughter of The Greatest Generation

Theresa Scottberg - March 11, 2021 at 09:21 AM

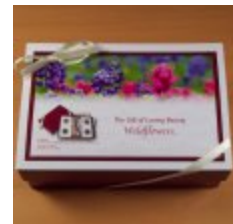


“ *Such a wonderful man who had a wonderful life and family. Kathy D*

Kathy Dever - October 24, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ *Michele Giourtis purchased the Wildflower Seeds - Build A Memory Garden for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



Michele Giourtis - October 23, 2020 at 12:42 PM

DK

“ *Dr Micheale Keleher purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



Dr Micheale Keleher - October 23, 2020 at 12:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



October 23, 2020 at 11:03 AM

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“ *Jack Payne And Rhonda purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



Jack Payne And Rhonda - October 22, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



October 21, 2020 at 05:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



October 21, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



October 20, 2020 at 05:51 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Raymond E Emery.*



October 20, 2020 at 11:56 AM