

Mr Russell L Handley

February 24, 1935 - August 20, 2014

Russell L. Handley, 79, born February 24, 1935, in New Lisbon, Indiana and passed from this life August 20th, 2014, at his home in Prescott, Arizona. He was a loving husband, father, Grampa and Great Grampa.

He served in the United States Army from 1956-1958 and received a Certificate of Achievement for his duty in support of "Operation Mercy" when he was stationed at Camp Kilmer, NJ in 1957. He was a past member of the Sunrise Lions Club, Prescott Jaycees, B.P.O.E. Lodge 330 and Mile High Square Dance Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents Howard and Clara (Thatcher) Handley, and 3 brothers and 4 sisters.

He is survived by his wife Mary, children Rochelle, Irene, Bruce and Steve (Kelly). Grandchildren Asher, Jamie, Trenton, Ashley (Jesse), Clinton (Shanna), Cole, Jake, Cody, TJ; 14 Great Grandchildren; nieces, nephews and sister-in-laws.

Hampton Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements and adds these comments: During the loss of the 19 Prescott Hotshots, Russ was called on to assist with the work at the Arizona Pioneers Home Cemetery. His background in cemetery work was very valuable. He donated all of his time and requested that no compensation be made to him. His son Steve Handley is the owner of Handley Precast Systems and they provided Vaults to the families at no charge.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations in his name to: AFCCA Foundation for Children, 2473 S. Higley Road, Suite 104, PMB 309, Gilbert, AZ 85295 for checks or https://azfoundationforchildren.org/donate/.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, September 12, 2014, at the Meals on Wheels room at the Rowle Simmons Adult Center in Prescott from 4:30-7:00 pm.

Comments



Dear ex-Candy Girls, Bruce, Ashley, Clint my name's not Jake, firecracker girls, all of you Handley's. Russ lived a great life with all of you by his side, vacations, autos, Mary, etc.

Treasure all, good, bad and ugly, and the life lessons you gained. Your family has always been kind to me, we shared some good times.

Peace Russell Handley

Debbie Sue Spedding Jerome

deborah jerome - September 11, 2014 at 12:34 PM



66 Ashley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr Russell L Handley



Ashley - September 10, 2014 at 12:55 AM



I had the pleasure of meeting this handsome fella last year while in Mortuary School, he was very kind and welcoming to us and I can say it was all my pleasure to have met him. My very best to the family and may time bring peace to the hearts and minds of all who's lives he had touched.

Melissa Bidon - September 04, 2014 at 11:20 AM



Mary, Irene, Bruce, and Steve: Your dad was a character and it was an honor to have him as my "2nd dad". You and your families are bathed in prayer for the difficult days ahead. Nadene (Handley) Smith

Nadene Smith - September 03, 2014 at 08:16 AM