



Ralph Norton

June 7, 2015

Ralph J. Norton, age 83 of Silex, passed away Sunday, June 7, 2015 at the Lincoln County Nursing and Rehab facility in Troy. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 am on Thursday, June 11, 2015 at the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church with Fr. Charles Tichacek officiating. Burial will be in the St. Alphonsus Cemetery with Military Honors being conducted by VFW Post #5553 and Missouri Military Honors. Visitation will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm on Wednesday at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Silex.

Ralph was born January 2, 1932 in Silex, the son of Robert L and Nellie Ann Donely Norton. He married Betty Sue Colbert in Millwood on November 23, 1957. She survives. Other survivors include sons Steve Norton of Silex, Mike Norton and wife Janet of Silex; daughter's Leanne Norton-Heintz (Kevin) of Apex, NC, Linell Shramek (Robert) of Warrenton; seven grandchildren Ryan Norton, Jessica Norton, Walker Peatross, Gabrielle Peatross, Anna Heintz, Jaimie Heintz, A.J. Heintz; brother Dan Norton (Sally) of Silex.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Bobby Norton, two sisters Norma Zalabak and Mary Ann Bobeen; a brother Roger Joseph Norton and sister Dorothy Nell Norton who passed away in infancy.

Ralph was born and raised in Silex, lived and farmed all of his life near the home place on Norton Rd. He served his country during the Korean War from

December 1952 until 1954. He was a member of the Hawk Point VFW Post # 7560 where he served as a commander. He was also a member of the Production Credit Association. Ralph drove the bus for the Silex School District for 10 years and enjoyed the children greatly. He enjoyed boating on the Mississippi River and at the Lake of the Ozarks. He loved being with his family and grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers will be Ryan Norton, Walker Peatross, Sam Norton, Larry Zalabak, Leon Norton and Paul Bobeen. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be A.J. Hientz and Lyndall Bartels.

Memorials may be made to St. Alphonsus Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

KB

“ We are very sorry for the loss of Ralph. Always smiling and happy to see you. Please know we care.

Kurt & Elaine Bruns - June 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM

NF

“ Norton family,

The Niffen family is so sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. He was such a good man and an asset to the Silex community. Please know that we mourn with you.

God bless,
Glenn, Anita, Kim, Jennifer, Glenn D, Margaret, Jeff, Brandon, and Jenna

Niffen Family - June 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM

JD

“ I am sorry to hear of your loss of Ralph. Prayers to the Norton family.

John Dean - June 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM

GP

“ Norton family, please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers throughout this trying time. Remember the good thoughts and God will guide you. Sincerely, Glen, Pam, Kayla and Kevin Paulsmeyer.

Glen Paulsmeyer - June 23, 2015 at 11:11 AM

JW

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Ralph. I enjoyed getting to know him while I was at Silex. He had a great heart and was a true friend. May the God of All Comforts be near his family at this time!

Joel Wegener - June 23, 2015 at 11:11 AM

MR

“ So sorry to hear about Ralph. He will be greatly missed> May God comfort you in this hard time.

Melissa Roberts - June 23, 2015 at 11:11 AM

RA

“ Our sincerest condolences to the Norton Family. Ralph was our first bus driver for the boys. He always showed such kindness to our family. He will be missed.

Rodgers Family - Andy, Julie, Danny, and - June 23, 2015 at 11:11 AM