



## Ray R Hill

October 23, 1917 - October 24, 2014

Friday, October 24th, 2014 marked the passing of Ray R. Hill of Siloam Springs, AR. Born October 23rd, 1917 in Sandoval, IL Ray was 97 years old.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ben J. and Nettie Hill, his brothers James and David, and sister Gertrude, and his beloved wife of 57 years, Anna Belle Gibson Hill.

Ray is survived by his two sons, Richard R. Hill and his wife Maureen Otis Adams, and Ben J. Hill; grandsons Morgan Sunhouse Hill, and Jesse GreenHill and his wife Bay, and granddaughter Ann Gibson Hill; great grandchildren Stella, Mosely, Hazel, Anson, and Aaron; numerous step-grandchildren; two much-loved nieces Gayl and Pat, and their daughters Leesa, Rachel, Audrey, and Sloan; sister-in-law and lifelong friend Emalee Steele; and many, many friends, all of whom knew him affectionately as "Pop."

Pop retired to Siloam Springs in 1979 after 43 years in the oil-field equipment business with National Supply Company. He served in the U.S. Navy for 4 years prior to WWII aboard the USS Indianapolis. He was a U.S. ranked Golden Gloves boxing champion with a 25-2 record. He was a lifelong fisherman of Oklahoma and Arkansas streams. He followed the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team for many years, from radio to modern World Series play on television.

In retirement Pop enjoyed growing roses and working with his son Ben on numerous horticultural projects on his property in Siloam Springs. He also contributed to the community through Sager Creek Arts Center. His work included feature roles in Fiddler on the Roof (Rabbi) and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum (Erronius).

As a Christian, Ray was truly ecumenical, faithfully attending Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, and Bible churches. For the past 20 years he has been a valued member of the Grace Episcopal Church family.

“He was a man who lived an ordinary life beautifully” – Gayl

Services will be held at Grace Episcopal Church at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1st. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital in Memphis, TN.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

Grace Episcopal Church  
617 N. Mt. Olive  
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

# Tribute Wall



“ *The Hill family is in our thoughts and prayers. What a wonderful man! Lindy Taylor and family* ”

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**Lindy Taylor** - October 28, 2014 at 06:34 PM