



## Wilbert A. "Wib" Pierce

December 9, 1926 - January 15, 2017

Wilbert A. "Wib" Pierce, 90, of Mt. Vernon passed away Sunday, January 15, 2017, at his home.

He was born in Farrington Township on December 9, 1926, the son of Parker and Nellie (Donoho) Pierce.

Wib graduated from Mt. Vernon Township High School in 1944, and straightway served in the United States Army from 1945-1947, with the 1st F.A. Battalion, stationed in Korea. Wilbert and Darlene (DeSelms) Pierce were married on August 29, 1952. They established their home in rural Jefferson County, Rome Township, where they remained lifelong residents. Wib was employed by Mt. Vernon Furnace Manufacturing Company (Stove Foundry) in general production for 21 years. He was employed by Precision National Cooperation in Locomotive Crankshaft rebuild for 22 years. In addition, he farmed as a sideline.

Mr. Pierce is survived by a son, Kevin Pierce and wife Shelli of Mt. Vernon; two grandchildren, Megan Hargett and husband Tony of Marion, and Ganon Pierce of Seattle Washington; one great grandchild, Corin Hargett of Marion; a brother, Calvin Pierce and wife Rena of Mt. Vernon; a sister, Wilma Campbell of Mt. Vernon; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Ghnell Pickett.

Funeral services will be Saturday, January 21, 2017, at 11 a.m., at the Osborn Funeral Home in Dix with Elder Rick Forth and Elder Larry Woodrow

officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Vernon Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Outreach International and will be received at the Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, IL 62830. Online condolences may be made at [www.osbornfuneral.com](http://www.osbornfuneral.com), or on the funeral home's Facebook page.

Throughout his life, Wib strived to be a follower of Jesus Christ. Many thanks to all for your concerns, prayers, and expressions of kindness extended to the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Vernon Memorial Gardens

Woodlawn, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Osborn Funeral Home  
322 North Main Street  
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## Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Kevin,  
My deepest sympathy to you and your family at this time. You may not remember me, but we played basketball together at Rome many years ago. May God grant you peace at this time. We are thinking about you.  
David Long

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David Long - January 24, 2017 at 02:59 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to the family of Wib Pierce. Wish I could be there, I was their neighbor for several years. Many fond memories with their family.  
Jack Clark ( Michigan)

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Jack Clark - January 19, 2017 at 06:10 PM

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“ Kevin, our fathers were close childhood friends. Wib's very special to our family. I appreciated the connection and friendship he offered through the years to my mother and me when I would visit. To this day, I recall his stories regarding the history with my father and the goings on in Farrington Twp. He accomplished so much in his life; we should all be so lucky to live such a life and to enjoy the love and peace he gave to others.

Please accept my condolences.

Alan Sledge

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Alan Sledge - January 19, 2017 at 11:13 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Wilbert A. "Wib" Pierce.



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January 17, 2017 at 04:19 PM