



Harold France

July 16, 1933 - September 13, 2023

Harold Edward France, 90, of Altenburg, Missouri passed away Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at Mercy Hospital Jefferson.

He was born July 16, 1933 in Muskegon, MI to William and Alice (Haynor) France.

Harold and Rhonda France were married August 2, 1995 in Korsør, Denmark

He served in the United States Navy in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars and later retired after 21 years of service. He later worked as a Field Technician for Boeing Aerospace for 44 years.

Harold was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altenburg, he served as the Mayor of the City of Altenburg and was also on the Altenburg Public School Board. He was also a member of the American Legion Post #133 and VFW #4282.

Harold enjoyed traveling, doing handy work and gardening. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family including his dog Ramsey.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Zachary E. France, Boyd C. (Jennifer) France; two daughters, Lisa Douglas, Jenni France; six grandchildren, Logan

(Heather) France, Joshua (Evan) Weber, Whitney Unterreiner, Dalton France, Caroline Douglas, Olivia Mirabile; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Wilma Warburton; brother-in-law, Robert Warburton; grandson, Jacob Weber.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 and continue from 8:00 am to 11:00 am on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at Ford & Young Funeral Home in Perryville.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 am Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at Ford & Young Funeral Home in Perryville with Rev. Frank Lucas officiating. Military Honors will follow and be provided by the United States Naval Honors Team.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Wounded Warrior Project or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Burial will be at Missouri Veteran's Cemetery at a later date.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

17357 Stars & Stripes Way
Bloomfield, MO 63825

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S. West St.
Perryville, MO 63775

Visitation

SEP **20**. 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harold France*

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Harold France*

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ *My condolences and heartfelt sympathies to Harry’s family and friends! I had the great pleasure and honor to work with Harry this past year and he always made me smile. What a kind man and soul! He will be missed.*

Carrie Hicks - September 20, 2023 at 12:02 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Harold France.*

September 19, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 19, 2023 at 04:22 PM

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“ Luise, Maren, Oliver, Leonore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harold France.

Luise, Maren, Oliver, Leonore - September 19, 2023 at 03:29 PM

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“ Luise, Maren, Oliver, Leonore purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Harold France.



Luise, Maren, Oliver, Leonore - September 19, 2023 at 03:29 PM

JV

“ Harold has touched the lives of people throughout the world. He is famously known as "Harpoon Harry" and I have had the pleasure of working with him in many foreign countries over the past 37 years. He was able to strike up a conversation with anyone. While we were together in Western Turkey we found a memorable place in the hill country near a mountain stream to have fresh fish dinner. There are so many other memories as well. We will miss him greatly. God bless your family in your loss and know that Harold's service to our country was impactful. Men like him are a treasure.

Jeff Violet - September 19, 2023 at 01:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 19, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *Harold was a one of a kind and I was so lucky to work with him. He was so generous with his time and a wonderful guy to get to know. He will be greatly missed as a co-worker and friend.*

Patrick Bennett - September 19, 2023 at 10:06 AM



“ *Angie Crouch-Stricker, Boeing Teammate purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Harold France.*



Angie Crouch-Stricker, Boeing Teammate - September 18, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ *Mrs France and Family
I send my sincerest condolences to your entire family. I worked a great many years with Harold in St. Charles and loved to hear him talk about his family. To live to be 90 is a great accomplishment, but I am certain you all feel it was far far too soon, and I would agree. The heavens got a good one. May God be with you all as you mourn and move onto a new "normal".
Barb Sebacher*

Barb Sebacher - September 18, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harold France.



September 18, 2023 at 08:37 AM



“ I'll miss our chats shipmate, fair-winds my friend we've got the watch.

Kimberley Cooley-Wilson - September 18, 2023 at 07:36 AM



“ Love Janet, Sean, Meaghan, & Erin Hughes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harold France.

Love Janet, Sean, Meaghan, & Erin Hughes - September 17, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ Love Janet, Sean, Meaghan, & Erin Hughes purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Harold France.



Love Janet, Sean, Meaghan, & Erin Hughes - September 17, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 17, 2023 at 02:19 PM



“ *All of us in the family are in great grief over his loss. However, I know that Mrs. Rhonda and his family are in even greater sorrow. My deepest condolences go out to you and your family.*

I am Japanese and his friend.

He is the first foreign friend I have had.

Although our ages are as far apart as parent and child, he wished to be friends with me and I felt the same way.

He understood my poor English, we carried out many tasks together, and we talked about many things.

He loved my family and adored my children.

He remained equal to everyone and did not discriminate.

He changed my outlook on life and was a good learning experience for my children and my wife.

Harold, I will miss you.

I would have loved to see you again if I could.

I wish I could have invited you back to my home that you loved so much, to meet my family, and to drive through the Japanese countryside again, which you enjoyed so much.

Thank you Harold.

My best friend.

Syodo Ishibashi

Syodo Ishibashi - September 17, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 16, 2023 at 10:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 16, 2023 at 05:52 PM



“ *I wish I could find all the words to adequately describe my friend, Harold. The best I can do is praise him for being a true GIVER. Over the 40 years of knowing him, he demonstrated this quality time and time again not only giving to others but to the community, schools, and businesses. He represented to me a role model on how to affect others in a positive way. I will miss my friend. He was one of the individuals that made East Perry County a wonderful place.*

Rick Hoffman - September 16, 2023 at 08:34 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold France.*



September 15, 2023 at 11:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Harold France.

September 15, 2023 at 11:24 PM



“ He was always so special and this past couple of years visited often!!!! We grew up together, him in Hart and me in Shelby. I would love to be at the service....My love to all, Marge

Marjorie Field, Erickson, Peterson - September 15, 2023 at 03:51 PM