



## Billie "Red" Hale

November 28, 1929 - September 8, 2017

Billie Gene Hale "Red", 87, passed away Friday, September 8, 2017. His final days were spent surrounded by family and friends, reliving memories from years gone by.

He was born November 28, 1929, in Royaltown, Kentucky, to R.B. and Betty Hale, who preceded him in death.

He proudly served his country, as a mechanic in the Army, during the Korean War. Shortly after the war, he met his bride to be, Peggy Burkett. On May 14, 1955, they were married. She preceded him in death in June 1991.

Billie and Peggy have six children. Barbara (Mike) Maxfield. The late, Lance "Bo" (Annette) Hale, Gary (Diana) Hale, Judy Hale, Diana (Tom) Hayes, Denise Hale. They have 10 grandchildren, Jeremy, Nathan (deceased), Sean, Brittany, Ralph, Elizabeth, Thomas, Misty, Renae, and Dawn. They also have many great grandchildren as well as great-great grandchildren.

Billie has two surviving sisters, Emma Brewer and Faye Back, and two brothers, Arnold Hale and Don Hale. He was preceded in death by Mary Calabrese, R.B. Jr (Cob), John (J.P.), James (Cotton), Merle, and Earl.

Billie worked many years at the Ford Motor Company, in Chicago Heights, where he later retired. Billie was a devoted family man and servant of Christ. A longtime member of Bible Baptist Church, where he served for decades, as a Deacon.

He's a faithful Blue Jay sports fan. You could find him cheering at most every basketball and football game. He's a die-hard Cubs and Kentucky Wildcat fan.

He was overjoyed at witnessing the Cubs win the 2016 World Series. His daughters commented, they've never seen their dad stay up so late to watch a sports game, but he wouldn't miss a pitch.

Billie was loved and respected by all who knew him. He will be forever missed by his family, friends, and community.

Friends may call from 2-6 PM CT Sunday, September 10, 2017 at the Bible Baptist Church, 3915 E 400 S, Knox, IN. Funeral Services will be 11 AM CT Monday, September 11, 2017 at the church. Burial will be in the Highland Cemetery, North Judson, IN

# Tribute Wall

RC

“ So sorry for your loss prayers for the family

Rosa Carter - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM

SM

“ Condolences to my sister in law Barbara Maxfield and her family.

Sue maxfield - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM

EM

“ Great man! Many fond memories I'll always cherish.

Elizabeth Majewski - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM

ML

“ Tommy you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

michelle ludwig - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM

SA

“ Uncle Red you will be greatly missed. I always enjoy spending time with you and your family when you came in...Mike says he loved talking to you when you came in...Love you always

Stella Abner - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM

DR

“ We are sorry to hear of Red's passing. He was a wonderful man and enjoyed our exchange of Christmas Cards Yearly and our chats at Family Reunions. I know Red took a liking to me being a fellow UAW worker at Ford Motor Co!! From all of the us Hales in Michigan we are sending our thoughts an Prayers to Red's Family! R.I.P. MY friend. David & Dianna (Hale) Roberts

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**David Roberts** - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 AM