



## Joseph Elmon Billups

DR. JOSEPH ELMON BILLUPS, DDS, 83, of Kenova, died Friday, August 1, 2014, at Rivers Bend Health Care in South Point, Ohio. Joe was born June 6, 1931, in Louisa, Ky., a son of the late Okla H. and Elizabeth Austin Billups. He was a U.S. Army veteran, and members of American Legion Post #93 Kenova Honor Guard will conduct graveside rites. Joe was involved in his community and served on the C-K Chamber of Commerce where he was a past president; he was on the board of directors for the Ceredo-Kenova Credit Association and the Kenova Police Civil Service Commission. He was a self-employed dentist in Kenova for 40 years. Professionally he was a member of the American Dental Association and the W.Va. Dental Society with a 25 year Certificate of Distinction. Joe was a Kentucky Colonel; a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity; and a member of the C-K Alumni Band. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Kenova. In addition to his parents, Joe was preceded in death by one sister, Loraine Casto; her husband, Keith Casto; and a nephew, Charles Keith Casto. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Beverly Knight Billups; two beloved daughters and sons-in-law, Kimberly C. and Kenneth R. Marcum of Huntington, W.Va., and Lee Ann and Dennis E. Blevins of Kenova, W.Va.; two granddaughters and one grandson-in-law, Leslee E. and Jeremy Martin and Katelyn Chaffin; three step-grandchildren, Rina and Dr. Andrew Foy, MD; Kara and Dr. Samuel Litteral, DPT; and Kenneth R. Marcum II; 13 great-grandchildren; one nephew, David Casto; and two sisters-in-laws, Clara Knight of Milton, W.Va. and Betty Jo

Knight of Ravenswood, W.Va. The family would like to thank the staff of the VA Medical Center, Rivers Bend Health Care, Hospice of Huntington, Right at Home and Preferred Health for their kindness and care of Joe and the family. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 5, 2014, at Rollins Funeral Home in Kenova. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. with family friend Dallas Moore officiating. Burial will follow in Dock's Creek Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.rollinsfh.com](http://www.rollinsfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mrs. Billups and family,  
I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Billups passing. I enjoyed living next to Mr. and Mrs. Billups. You two were the best neighbors. Thanks for all you did for me while we lived next door to each other. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Michele Wellman** - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Kim,  
My sincere sympathy.*

*Linda meyers*

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**Linda Meyers** - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Dear Family and loved ones, We are so very sorry for the loss of your precious family member! Our loss is Heaven's gain! Joe was a highly respectable husband, father, grand father and a good friend to all. We pray that God grant all of you, His peace and comfort through these troubled times and may you rest in the knowledge that you will be reunited again some day...*

*Deepest sympathy.*

*Judie Smith & Sons, Brent & Families, Brad & Family, and Larry, Jr.*

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**Judie Smith** - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Joe has always been a Great neighbor! He always stopped to talk to Ronny when he was out in the garage working on the old car. He will be missed. Our loss is Heavens gain!*

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**Ronny & Pat LeMaster** - August 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM