



Kenneth L. Dawley

August 19, 1932 - February 25, 2016

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Kenneth L. Dawley passed away on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at the age of 83. He was born on August 19, 1932 in Norfolk, VA to the late Charles H. Dawley and Nellie Virginia (nee Fentress) Dawley. He had a full and eventful life. A graduate of Maury High School in Norfolk in 1950. He married Jacqueline K. LaVoise on November 13, 1952. His family includes a daughter Carla A. (nee Dawley) Zigaitis and her husband Kestutis Zigaitis; a son Spencer K. Dawley and his wife Katherine (nee Cambria) Dawley; three grandsons, Nicholas A. (Kelly) Zigaitis; Matthew T. (Wendy) Zigaitis and Joshua B. Dawley; plus three Great-Grandchildren, Lillian M., Sebastian D. and Allison J. Zigaitis, whom he loved dearly.

He completed three years in the U.S. Army, which included 15 months in Korea during the war and was honorable discharged with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He retired after 37 years from a successful career with the Federal Government (Civilian with the Army) in 1987, which included multiple management level positions. During his career earned a degree from Webster University and served on the university alumni board as a director for 12 years.

He and his wife loved to travel and lived in Orleans and Verdun, France for three years in the early 1960's , on a duty assignment as a civilian with the

Army. During that time they and their children were able to visit many European countries. His duty assignments took him all over the Middle East to include Egypt, the Congo and Ethiopia in Africa, New Dehli and Agra (Taj Mahal), India. Their travels during his lifetime included many locations in Mexico, plus Costa Rica and Panama Canal in Central America: Columbia, South America and Canada. In addition to Hawaii and Alaska they visited every state in the union except Oregon, North Dakota, Utah, Australia and New Zealand.

He was a Master Mason with the Algabil-Freedom Masonic Lodge #636 in Mehlville, Mo and a 32nd degree Mason with the Scottish Rite, York Rite and the Moolah Shrine; and for a time served as leader of the Freedom Demolay Chapter for young men. He was also a member of the Korean Was Veterans Association, the American Legion Post #156 as Finance Officer in Kirkwood, MO and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Mo 63122. Services will be on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY. Interment to follow services at Bellerive Gardens Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations should be made to American Heart Association and Disabled Vets. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Cemetery Details

Bellerive Gardens

740 N. Mason Road
Creve Coeur, MO 63141

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood
10301 Big Bend Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122
(314) 965-8228
info@stlfuneral.com
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

Service

MAR 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth L. Dawley*

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“ *Kenn was a kind man and a valued member of the Alumni Board at Webster University. The Alumni Office was lucky to have such a dedicated volunteer who contributed so much to our programs. Our deepest sympathy to Jackie and her family.*

Webster Alumni Office

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