ROY FORT

MORTON - ROY W. FORT, 95, OF MORTON, PASSED AWAY TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025, AT VILLAS OF HOLLY BROOK IN MORTON.

HE WAS BORN ON JULY 5, 1929, IN MORTON, ILLINOIS, TO GEORGE AND ABBY (SPERRY) FORT. ROY MARRIED FRANCES ANN MADACEY ON MARCH 18, 1956, IN MORTON. SHE PRECEDED HIM IN DEATH ON MARCH 11, 2009. ROY WAS ALSO PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS SIBLINGS, MILDRED SCHAFER, LLOYD FORT, VIOLA DRINGENBERG, RALPH FORT, LOUISE WANNER, DORIS BAUMAN AND RAY FORT.

Surviving are his daughter, Marti Amaral of Morton; sons, Phillip (Julie) Fort and Allen (Jennifer) Fort, both of Morton; grandchildren, Jason Amaral, Drew Fort, Kelly Thomas, Brock Fort and Brenna Fort; and Great-Grandchildren, Charlie, Anne, Remington, Lorelei.

ROY WAS A UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN WITH TWO PURPLE HEARTS FROM THE KOREAN CONFLICT.

HE HAS BEEN AN AVID BOWLER THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE. HE HAS BOWLED OVERSEAS FOR THE ÅRMY LEAGUE AND WAS A PIN RESITTER. AT THE AGE OF 70, ROY FINALLY SCORED OVER 300 FOLLOWED BY A SECOND 300+ GAME. ROY HIT HIS FIRST HOLE-IN-ONE, CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY WITH HIS SONS, AT HILLCREST IN WASHINGTON. HE WAS AWARDED A TROPHY WITH HIS HOLE IN ONE BALL. IN 2013, ROY WAS ON THE INAUGURAL PEORIA HONOR FLIGHT TO WASHINGTON, D.C. ON OCTOBER 1, 2018 DURING THE PLAYOFF GAME IN CHICAGO BETWEEN THE CHICAGO CUBS AND MILWAUKEE BREWERS, ROY WAS THE VETERAN HONORED FOR THE DAY.

HE WAS A MEMBER OF MORTON METHODIST CHURCH, PAST COMMANDER OF MORTON VFW, MORTON OPPORTUNITY CLUB AND PEKIN ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME BOWLING.

CREMATION RITES HAVE BEEN ACCORDED. A GRAVESIDE SERVICE AND BURIAL WILL BE HELD AT 11:45 A.M. SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025, AT GLENDALE MEMORIAL GARDENS IN PEKIN. VISITATION WILL BE HELD FROM 9 TO 11 A.M. AT THE KNAPP-JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATION CENTER PRIOR TO THE SERVICE.

Memorials may be made to Leader Dogs for the Blind, 1139 S. Rochester Rd., Rochester Hills, MI, 48307-3115.

KNAPP-JOHNSON FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATION CENTER IN MORTON IS HANDLING ARRANGEMENTS.

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