



## Dale R. Brown

May 7, 1929 - February 27, 2025

Dale Brown, 95, of Oakford, Illinois, passed away February 27th, 2025. Dale was born May 7th, 1929, the oldest of five sons born to Irving and Ruth Brown of Oakford.

Shortly after graduating from Petersburg High School in 1947, he served in the United States Army. In 1954 he married Janet Specketer of Havana. They spent their 70 beautiful years of marriage in Oakford; where he was born, raised, and spent most of his life as a farmer. Dale was a lifetime member of the Oakford United Methodist Church and was extremely supportive of his community, being involved in the School Board, Farm Bureaus, the Board of Directors, KIWANIS, the VFW of Havana, and the First National Bank of Petersburg Board.

Together, they had two children, Steve (Ronda) Brown of Oakford, and Jennifer (her late husband, Mike) McGhee of Plainfield, Illinois; four grandchildren, Brett Brown of Richards, Texas, Heidi (Andrew) Hiser of Petersburg, Matthew McGhee of Plainfield, and Megan (Frankie) Onesto of Woodridge, Illinois; three great-grandchildren, Huckleberry Hiser and John Henry Hiser of Petersburg, and Lia Onesto of Woodridge. Still surviving are Jim (Nancy) Brown of Springfield, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dale's name to the Oakford

United Methodist Church, 210 Center St, Oakford, Illinois 62673.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, March 8th, 2025, from 12:00p.m. - 3:00p.m. at Oakford Village Hall, 100 Center St, Oakford, Illinois 62673.

Cremation rites were accorded by Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg. Dale will be laid to rest in Oakford Cemetery in a private family ceremony.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 8. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Oakford Village Hall  
100 Center St.  
Oakford, IL 62673

# Tribute Wall

LH

“ Lynn & Diana Hiser purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dale R. Brown.



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**Lynn & Diana Hiser** - March 06, 2025 at 12:59 PM

FH

“ I remember Mr. Brown when I was growing up. Very caring and kind man. Thoughts and prayers to the entire Brown family. Very sorry for your loss!

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**Faye Hughes** - March 03, 2025 at 02:50 PM

PG

“ Patricia Gilbreath lit a candle in memory of Dale Brown



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**Patricia Gilbreath** - March 03, 2025 at 09:47 AM

JO

“ So sorry to hear about Dale. He was one of the nicest people I've ever met without a doubt. Always enjoyed our conversations and he will be sadly missed.

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**Jody Ogden** - March 03, 2025 at 08:25 AM

CK

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to you Janet and your family.  
Enjoyed visiting with Dale when I'd see him. Take care.

Carol Fisk Kolves - March 02, 2025 at 06:30 PM



“ Dale was a great guy and I always enjoyed our conversations. Our  
condolences to the entire Brown family!

Tom Knous - March 02, 2025 at 01:33 PM

AW

“ RIP Dale Brown-----I will remember you as a good man, dedicated  
farmer and a true friend of the Oakford community 😊.

Condolences to the family.

Andy and Susie Winkelmann

Andy Winkelmann - March 02, 2025 at 12:27 PM

MH

“ Mary And Larry Hundt sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Dale R. Brown



Mary and Larry Hundt - March 02, 2025 at 09:49 AM

GW

“ So sorry



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**Gina Watkins** - March 02, 2025 at 08:06 AM

RH

“ So sorry for your loss Steve & Rhonda and family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the families.



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**Roger & Marcie Herald** - March 01, 2025 at 08:18 PM

TH

“ Terni D Hinrichs lit a candle in memory of Dale Brown



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**Terni D Hinrichs** - March 01, 2025 at 06:31 PM

BM

“ Bob & Lynne McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Dale Brown



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**Bob & Lynne McDaniel** - March 01, 2025 at 04:35 PM

CS

“ *Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Dale Brown*



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**Craig Schaeffer** - March 01, 2025 at 02:12 PM

JO

“ *Rest in peace “Mr.” Brown. He was one of a kind. His kindness for people and animals was a trait he excelled at. Prayers for Janet and the entire Brown family.*



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**jo** - March 01, 2025 at 02:07 PM

PS

“ *Patti Specketer lit a candle in memory of Dale Brown*



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**Patti Specketer** - March 01, 2025 at 02:03 PM

JO

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**joan** - March 01, 2025 at 01:35 PM

MB

*Dear Janet and family.,  
I am so sorry to hear the loss of your husband Dale. Its been a long  
time since I have seen either of you. My thoughts and prayers are with  
you and your family. 🙏💙💗🙏*

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**Marie Barton** - March 03, 2025 at 02:52 PM