



George W. Mason

October 23, 1923 - December 12, 2023

George W Mason, age 100, of Amboy died Tuesday Dec. 12, 2023 at his home surrounded by family. He was born Oct. 23, 1923 in El Reno, OK, the son of Elmer and Faye (Blagg) Mason. George was a graduate of the class of 1943 at Amboy High School, the class of 1950 at Illinois State Normal University, and received his Master of Education Degree from the University of Illinois Champaign. He began his teaching career at Harmon and then at Central School in Amboy before becoming Principal at Central School for 15 years prior to retirement in 1984. George served in the Army Air Force during WWII. He was a member of the Lee Center Congregational United Church of Christ, Amboy American Legion Post, the Illinois Retired Teachers Assoc., Illinois Basketball Hall of Fame, and Amboy FFA Honorary Chapter Farmer. George was an avid gardener and shared the fruits of his labor with family, friends and strangers. He enjoyed fishing at Ultch's Bar U pond and Rock River, coaching in the community and at home, cheering as a Cubs and Bears fan, watching sports, playing basketball at ISU, reading history books and spending his time following his children and grandchildren in their sports activities. He has also enjoyed getting to know his great grandchildren by playing with the three boys. George married Delores Phillips June 20, 1954 in Amboy and enjoyed 69 years together. He is preceded in death by his parents, sister Mary Bouse, and brother John Mason. He is survived by his wife Delores, son James (Nancy) Mason of East Helena, MT, daughters Janice Mason of Lyndon, IL, Judith (Scott) Denys of Geneseo, IL, Joyce

(John) Cook of Morrison, IL, ten grandchildren; Todd, Terry, Lori, Kira, Tim, August, Katie, Mathew, Adam, Andrew, ten great grandchildren, and three great great granddaughters. Funeral services will be on Saturday Jan. 13, 2024 at 11:00 AM at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Military Honors will follow at the funeral home. Burial will be at a later date at Prairie Repose Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be on Saturday Jan. 13, 2024 from 10:00 AM until the time of the service at 11:00 AM. Condolences can be left at www.theadamhejonesfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Prairie Repose Cemetery

990 Rockyford Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
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info@thejonesfh.com
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Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of George W. Mason.* ”



January 10, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George W. Mason.* ”



January 10, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *Geneseo Communications Inc. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George W. Mason.* ”

Geneseo Communications Inc. - January 10, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *Love, Mark and Lysa Haas and our familys purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of George W. Mason.* ”



Love, Mark and Lysa Haas and our familys - January 02, 2024 at 12:13 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs. Mason and family at this time. There is no doubt that Mr. Mason had such a tremendous impact on so many students in his career. I was one of them, he was my role model which gave me my core values and the impetus to pursue a career in education. I wanted to be like him, giving time, energy, and talent to insure the brightest possible future for my students as he did for so many of us attending Central Grade School. My career in education as a teacher, coach, principal and superintendent for forty years was inspired by him.

Jerry L. Trickett - December 16, 2023 at 01:43 PM

KB

“ Karen Blaine lit a candle in memory of George Mason



Karen Blaine - December 15, 2023 at 12:24 PM

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“ Remember George out in his garden, great with the children at Central School. He loved his family.



Susan (Tolbert) Vilmont - December 15, 2023 at 10:18 AM