

Edward Moehle

Obituary



PEKIN - Edward Carl Moehle, 88, of Pekin passed away at 10:25 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, 2014, at his home.

He was born Dec. 7, 1925, in Okawville to Walter August and Minna Elizabeth (Miche) Moehle.

Surviving are his wife, Carol; four daughters, Colleen Moehle, Michelle (Thor) Moestue, Valerie Moehle and Paula (Timothy) Church; five grandsons, James Michael (Rachel)

Hartnett III, Eric Robinson, Nicholas Umholtz, Alexander Umholtz and William Church; four granddaughters, Katherine (David) Bow, Anna Umholtz, Elizabeth Church and Margaret Church; and one great-grandson, Joshua M. Hartnett. He also leaves a longtime son-in-law, Stewart Umholtz; and two former foreign exchange students, Tina from Costa Rica and Lisa from Germany.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one granddaughter, Charlotte Anne Church; and four brothers, C. Fred Moehle, Walter E. Moehle, Robert C. Moehle and Melvin O. Moehle.

Ed was a [World War II Army](#) veteran, serving in the Pacific Theater as chief clerk at the headquarters of General Douglas MacArthur, and worked for the International Military Tribunal of the Far East in Tokyo, Japan. He attained the rank of staff sergeant.

Ed graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with his Bachelor of Science degree in business administration and later with his juris doctor degree. He also was a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the [University of Wisconsin](#) at Madison and, prior to law school, worked as a bank examiner for the Federal Reserve in the St. Louis District. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Following law school, Ed was admitted into the Bar in Missouri and then in Illinois. He began work as an assistant state's attorney in Tazewell County, prior to founding the law firm which now is known as Moehle, Swearingen & Assoc., Ltd., with his brother, Mel, in 1966. Ed retired in 2010 after a fulfilling career of practicing law for over 50 years.

Ed was also associated with Attorney's Title Guaranty Fund, Inc. (ATG) since 1965 as an active member and as a board member from 1970 to 2003. He served as chairman of the Board of ATG from 1980 to 1982. Ed was instrumental in developing the Court Counselor program in Tazewell County and was very active on the Tazewell Mason Special Education Board for many years. He was a former member of the Pekin Public Schools District 108 Board of Education.

An active member of First United Methodist Church in Pekin, Ed was a very loyal servant, serving on many boards and committees of the church.

His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 19, 2014, at First United Methodist Church in Pekin. The Rev. James C. McClarey and the Rev. Judy Doyle will officiate. Visitation will be from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the church. Burial will be in Prairie Haven Cemetery in Pekin, with military rites accorded by the United States Army and the Tazewell Military Rites Team.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Preston-Hanley Funeral Homes & Crematory in Pekin.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church, 1315 Court St., Pekin, IL 61554; or to the [Tazewell County Children's Advocacy Center](#), 341 Buena Vista, Pekin, IL 61554.

The family wishes to offer a special thank you to the caregivers from Kyle's Care at Home for their kindness and dedication to our husband and father.

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