



Elmer L. E. L." Harnden

December 29, 1902 - February 24, 2002

Elmer L. "E. L." Harnden, age 99, passed away peacefully Sunday, February 24, 2002 at his home on Howlett Hill Road after a lengthy sickness. Mr. Harnden was born December 29, 1902 in Syracuse, New York, the son of William and Carrie Maude (Hall) Harnden. He was the husband of the late Lucille Roberts Harnden who passed away in 1966. His daughter, Carol Harnden Sellars died in 1969.

"E. L." was a Banker for First Trust & Deposit and Key Bank for 45 years. He retired in 1968 as a Branch Manager of the Valley Key Bank. He was active in the South Side Business Men during his time at the Southside office. While living in the Valley, he served with other residents of Merritt Avenue as a Civil Patrol Officer during World War II.

A longtime native of the Valley, Mr. Harnden and his family moved to Onondaga Hill in 1946. His neighbors would often come from near and far to pick fruit and vegetables grown on his Circle Drive farm. He was a member of the Onondaga Hill United Methodist Church and its? Dual Club. He served as Church Treasurer from 1965 to 1972.

Mr. Harnden was an avid hunter and fisherman. He often walked the hills that he loved with a favorite dog by his side. "E. L." was a great dog lover and raised many cocker spaniels during his life. After his retirement, he took up golf

and played many of the local courses. He and his partners seldom used electric carts, even after reaching their eighties. Elmer loved to plant flowers, which many people admired when passing his house.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Stuart and Caroline Harnden of Casper, Wyoming and son David R. Harnden of Howlett Hill, New York; Three granddaughters, two grandsons, ten great-grandchildren and one great great-granddaughter; several nephews, nieces and cousins.

Funeral: Friday, March 1, 2002, 11:00 a.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse with Rev. Sung Kim officiating.

Burial: Onondaga Valley Cemetery, 2500 Valley Drive, Syracuse.

Calling Hours: Thursday, February 28, 2002, from 2:00 - 4:00 and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, NY.

Memorials may be made to Onondaga Hill United Methodist Church, 4845 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, New York, 13205.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elmer L. E. L." Harnden*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - February 24, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ *The time spent listening to the stories of how interesting and eventful your life was will last in my memories forever. I am fortunate to have been able to introduce the woman I married to you. We will miss you. You will forever be in our hearts.*

March 05, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am not sure about an afterlife, but if there is one I am sure my mom was there to help him over to what lies beyond. She was always fond of her uncle and from what I have heard of him and remember from my youth, I understand why. I remember coming to visit great grandma at his house, playing with the dog and hearing about rabbit hunting.*

I wish him well on his new journey and know that if our rewards in the afterlife come from how we lived this one he will be well rewarded. Good luck and gods speed Uncle Elmer.

February 28, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa was a interesting man. He talked about his youth,if asked, growing up on a farm and his family feeding out-of-work men during the depression. He stated he did not realize there was a depression because no one had money, but they always had food living on a farm. Grandpa talked about working at the bank, and how he could look out the window and see donkeys pulling the barges up the Erie canal.We'll miss E.L. and his history.

February 27, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ May you play that perfect golf game perpetually - it was nice to have had the opportunity to know you - rest in peace...

February 26, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa, David, Mom and Aunt Germain,

Our thoughts are with you.

Love Jay, Danielle, Sydney and Taylor.

February 26, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ Uncle Elmer - We sadly miss you! You will remain in our hearts and thoughts.

February 25, 2002 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa, you will always be remembered for the wonderful family chats and cigar-sharing moments! I will cherish and love those memories always.

February 25, 2002 at 12:00 AM