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Daniel Molloy



RANTOUL – Daniel B. Molloy, 87, of Rantoul passed away on Saturday morning (Sept. 8, 2012) at Provena Medical Center, Urbana.

He was born Aug. 26, 1925, in Rantoul, a son of Edward J. and Mary (Sullivan) Molloy. He married Loretta Coffey on May 1, 1948, at St. Boniface Church, Sadorus. She preceded him in death on Feb. 15, 2000.

He is survived by 11 children, Mary (Nick) Riddle of Greensboro, N.C., Agnes (Rod) Roseman of Cincinnati, Ohio, Edward (Debra) Molloy of Colorado Springs, Colo., Therese (Dennis) Bergman of Rantoul, Daniel (Angela) Molloy of Greensboro, N.C., Catherine (Michael) Bass of Bismarck, Margaret Bottom of Rantoul, John Molloy of Tucson, Ariz., Helen Peffers of Rantoul, Patrick (Carlene) Molloy of St. Charles and Dennis (Laurel) Molloy of Mesa, Ariz.

Also surviving are a sister, Rita Shelhouse of Rantoul, 25 grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother.

Dan was a 1943 graduate of Rantoul Township High School. He farmed the Rantoul area until retiring in 1967. He then went into real estate and was part of the Shelhouse/Molloy Realty.

He was a lifelong member of St. Malachy Catholic Church and was a 4th degree Grand Knight and charter member of the Rantoul Knights of Columbus.

During his lifetime, Dan was highly involved in the Rantoul Community. He served as member and past president for the Rantoul Township High School school board, Rantoul Exchange Club and the Rantoul Chamber of Commerce.

As a Realtor and appraiser, he was a past member of the Champaign County Board of Realtors and the Rantoul Area Multilist Agency. He was a past trustee of the Rantoul Village Board and served for a short time as mayor pro-tem. He was awarded the Citizen of Year in 1976.

Dan was an avid sports fan of both St. Malachy School and RTHS. He was also a member of the RTHS Booster Club.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Malachy Catholic Church. Father Steven Bird will officiate.

Dan will be buried beside his wife in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Lux Memorial Chapel, 1551 E. Grove Ave., Rantoul.

Memorials may be made to St. Malachy Development Fund.

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