



## Harold L. Autrey

September 13, 1926 - February 17, 2014

Harold Lyle Autrey, age 87, recently of Clare, Michigan and formerly of Princeton, Illinois, died on Monday, February 17 at the MidMichigan Medical Center in Midland.

Harold, known to his friends as Hal, was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas on September 13, 1926. He was married to Margaret (Mundhenke) Autrey in 1951. He graduated from Texas Christian University with a B.A. in 1950, and from the University of Chicago with an M.B.A. in 1956. A three-war veteran, Hal began his service as a Navy signalman in the Pacific theater in World War II. He later became an Air Force officer, retiring from the Air Force with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He continued to serve in the Air Force Reserves until 1980.

In his civilian career, Hal was a hospital administrator. He retired from his position as the chief executive of the Perry Memorial Hospital in Princeton, Illinois in 1987. Hal and his wife Margaret spent much of their "retirement" on service projects overseas, serving developing countries through the International Executive Service Corps in Thailand, Brazil, Jordan, Bangladesh, Belize, Nepal, and Russia. Always a gentleman, Hal's integrity, honesty, and kindness earned the trust of those with whom he worked, even in countries where Americans are sometimes viewed with suspicion. Hal was an avid tennis player and fan, and continued to play even in his late eighties. Though

highly skilled and fit, he was always less concerned with winning, and more concerned with seeing that everyone was playing well and having fun. In 2013 he competed in a senior doubles tournament with his daughter Kelly, and was still hitting with her just two weeks before his death.

Hal and Margaret moved to Clare, Michigan in 2013, where they lived next door to their daughter Kelly and her family. Hal was predeceased by his parents and by his brother, W. S. Autrey. He is survived by his wife Margaret and sister Doris, also of Clare, by his children Kim, Kent, and Kelly, and by seven grandchildren.

Ashes will be interred in the Lakeview Cemetery in Ludington, Michigan, and private services will be held at that time.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Margaret, I was so sorry to hear of Hals passing. I cut the obit our of the BCR but do not have your address to send it to you. If you would like it e-mail me at [quiram.duane@comcast.net](mailto:quiram.duane@comcast.net) and I will send it to you. AGAIN YOU HAVE MY SYMPATHY.

SINCERELY,

Pat

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**PATRICIA QUIRAM** - February 26, 2014 at 02:15 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Merv enjoyed working with Hal on the board at Perry Memorial Hospital.

Merv and Nancy Smith

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**Merv Smith** - February 25, 2014 at 10:30 AM

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“ A lovely couple -  
Lives worthy of admiration and fond remembrance . . .



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**p.v. autrey** - February 25, 2014 at 10:24 AM

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“ Welcome Home Buddy . . .  
- W. S. Autrey

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**p.v. autrey** - February 25, 2014 at 10:18 AM

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**p.v. autrey** - February 25, 2014 at 10:16 AM

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“ Please accept our condolences, our deepest respect and admiration for a good man. I worked for Perry Memorial Hospital from 1980 to 1982 when Hal was the CEO. His decency and integrity were an example for all.  
Tom & Sandra Wasley  
Kenosha , WI

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**Thomas & Sandra Wasley** - February 24, 2014 at 10:08 AM

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“ Margaret and family, Becky and I are so deeply sorry to hear of Hal's passing. We will forever miss our dog walking days in Zearing Park. God rest his eternal soul-  
-Tom and Becky Hall

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**Tom Hall** - February 20, 2014 at 07:36 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family on your loss. "May the Lord bless you and keep you" --Steve Mueller

Stephen Mueller - February 20, 2014 at 11:27 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Harold L. Autrey.



February 20, 2014 at 11:21 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy on your loss - Max Castner and family

Linda Berry - February 20, 2014 at 11:21 AM