

## Franklin Dale Baughman, 87

Nov. 22, 1930 - Aug. 18, 2018

**KIRKMAN** – Dale was born Nov. 22, 1930 in Harlan. He attended school in Kirkman graduating in 1948. He farmed with his brothers until Feb. 9, 1951 when he joined the Navy. He served for four years, 26 months of which was spent in Italy. He received an honorable discharge on Feb. 2, 1955.

Dale married Elsie Sievert Book on Jan. 26, 1957 and adopted her children, Charles Russell and Michelle Lynn. Two children were born to this marriage, James Dale and Sharon Kay.

Dale served on the Irwin-Kirkman School Board from 1976 to 1985. He was an ASCS township committee member for 15 years and belonged to the Kirkman Fire Department for many years.

Dale farmed in the Kirkman area until 1985 when he and Elsie moved to Florida where he worked for a construction company until he retired in 1997. Dale and Elsie then became "snow-birds," spending their summers in Iowa and winters in Florida.

In September, 2012, Dale and Elsie sold their home in Kirkman and moved to Florida and then in May, 2017 they moved back to Iowa, residing in Harlan.

Dale enjoyed playing cards with family and friends, Nascar (car racing), word search puzzles, and making goofy faces – specially with the grand- and great-grandkids. He was also known for making up his own words and nonsensical phrases.

Dale passed away on Aug. 18, 2018 at the age of 87.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, Paris and Lillian Baughman; his brothers, Clarence and Gene Baughman; and his sister, Cecile (Baughman) Abell.

Dale is survived by his wife, Elsie; and children, Russ Baughman (Elaine); Michelle Falcon (Raul-deceased); Jim Baughman (Lori); and Shari Kitzmiller (Randy). In addition, Dale is survived by 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and other family and friends.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Kirkman United Methodist Church. Interment will be at the Rose Hill Cemetery, Kirkman.

