



## James R. Edwards

August 10, 1934 - November 18, 2012

The Honorable James R. Edwards, 78, of Aurora, passed away Sunday, November 18, 2012 at the Community Nursing and Rehab Center in Naperville. He was born August 10, 1934 in Aurora, the son of Jean and Elmer Edwards.

A lifelong resident of Aurora, James attended St. Peter's Catholic School and Marmion Military Academy. He then attended Lewis University in Romeoville and John Marshall Law School in Chicago, graduating with honors. Upon admittance to the bar association, he served in the U.S. Army JAG Corps from 1958-1962. During his 40+ year law career James was a partner in the law firms of Edwards and Parker and Edwards, Jordan and O'Connor, the attorney for the village of Montgomery for 32 years, several years as an Assistant State's Attorney for Kane County, and an associate justice of the 16th Circuit. In addition to his service to the law, he was active in the Aurora Exchange Club, Crime Stoppers and Holy Angels Parish.

Survivors include his wife, Linda (Smith) Edwards; sons, Timothy (Peggy) Edwards and Michael (Christine) Edwards; daughter, Peggy (David) Glenn; two step-daughters, Melissa (Arron) Kwak and Kate (Brett) Avery; and ten grandchildren: Matthew and Kyle Edwards; Sarah, Josie, Cecelia and Natalie Glenn; Lauren Edwards; Alyssa and Victor Kwak; and Thomas Avery. He is also survived by his brother, Lawrence Edwards and two "brothers at heart", George Boos and Bob Rohlring, as well as a large extended family who loved him dearly. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Kay (White)

Edwards; his daughter, Susan Edwards; and his parents. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to CASA of Kane County or the Aurora Hesed House.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at 12:00 PM at Annunciation Church. Fr. Patrick Gillmeyer, O.S.B. will officiate with interment in Riverside Cemetery in Montgomery. Visitation will be held Tuesday, November 20, 2012 from 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake Street, Aurora, IL 60506. 630-631-5500.

Please visit our new interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) to leave condolences for James' family or sign the guest book.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

414 N. River St.  
Montgomery, IL 60538

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **20**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Funeral Mass

NOV **21**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Annunciation Church  
1820 Church Road  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of James R. Edwards



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**Daleiden Mortuary** - November 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My prayers are with all of you on the loss of your husband, father and friend. I will always remember the wonderful times I spent in his company over the years with Ray, Mary Kay and Linda. He will be missed.

*Phyllis Olden*

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**Phyllis Olden** - November 20, 2012 at 01:06 PM

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“ It was a honor to get to know "judge" Edwards and his beautiful family. My prayers go out to Linda and his children. May God give him everlasting peace in his almighty kingdom. Amen

*Mary Klocek*

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**Mary Klocek** - November 20, 2012 at 10:13 AM