



Alan Cole Springer

June 24, 1925 - November 7, 2014

Alan Cole Springer, 89, of Hot Springs, Arkansas passed away, Friday, November 7, 2014 at the National Park Medical Center in Hot Springs following a brief illness.

He was born in Rochester, NY on June 24th 1925 and lived there until he enlisted for military service during World War II in May 1943. Cole reached the rank of Staff Sergeant in the Army and served his country in both World War II and the Korean War. In World War II, he fought in both the Battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa and earned several medals.

Cole was predeceased by his father and mother, Walter E Springer and Leona M Springer, a sister, Barbara Springer Spurlock, and a daughter, Stephany Ann Springer Kincaid.

Cole is survived by four children: Alana Sue Drury Smith of Forrest City, Arkansas; Deborah Marlowe Bethuel-Bevill (husband Bernie) of Pinnacle, Arkansas; Alan C Springer (wife Brandy) of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Kevin C Springer (fiancée Lynn) of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

He also leaves behind a niece (Cathy Spurlock) and nephew (Tommy Spurlock); sixteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He is also survived by his loyal caregiver and companion, Dessie Adams, wife Sarah

Ruth Wright Springer, and step children Warren & Dana Fugate.

Cole, or otherwise known as “King Cole” to his friends, was retired owner of RMA Publishing and produced the racing mail-away & fun time news' magazines which he founded over 48 years ago. The Oaklawn Racing Season will be a little sadder without his racing mail-away. But, Cole will be there with them in Spirit and Love.

A Memorial Service to celebrate his life with his family and racing friends will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make donations to either the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund (PDJF) P.O. Box 803, Elmhurst, Illinois USA 60126, or the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 262 Danny Thomas Pl, Memphis, TN 38105

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dennis Green sent a virtual gift in memory of Alan Cole Springer*



Dennis Green - November 12, 2014 at 09:12 PM

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Rest in peace my friend

Dennis Green - November 12, 2014 at 09:14 PM

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“ *With deepest sympathy to Alan and family during this time of sadness. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Joe and Martha Dooley, Hot Springs*

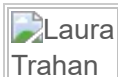
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Kevin Springer - November 12, 2014 at 09:40 AM

 Laura Trahan

Thanks for sharing this! I don't remember seeing many pics of my mom as a child. She looks so happy and possibly has the same nose as my daughter! Thank you!

Laura Trahan - November 13, 2014 at 08:40 PM