



Obituary

Born: Friday, February 12, 1954

Died: Sunday, February 14, 2021

Roger Mark Graves, age 67, of Mendon, formerly of Liberty, IL died on Sunday, February 14, 2021 in his home surrounded by family after a courageous battle with lewy body dementia. Roger was born on February 12, 1954 in Pittsfield, IL, the son of Donald and Veda (Willard) Graves. He married the love of his life, Sharon Schwartz, on August 23, 1975 in St. Brigid Catholic Church in Liberty, IL and she survives.

Roger was a 1972 graduate of Payson Seymour High School and attended Pittsfield middle school in his earlier years. He attended Nashville auto diesel college after high school and graduated as a certified diesel mechanic. He was employed at Sparks and Wiewel Construction Company from 1974 until 2004 when the business closed. He then worked for Chester Bross Construction from 2004 until his retirement in 2018. He was actively involved in the Shelbina Old Threshers Association. Roger genuinely loved life. He had a passion for travel and adventure. If you couldn't find him at work, you could find him camping with his family or riding a jet ski at the Lake of the Ozarks. Roger had a deep love for his family, especially his grandkids. He had many talents including being a certified pilot, a welder, and a certified crane and heavy equipment operator.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Crystal (Steve) Dieterle of Quincy, IL, Mark (Jessie) Graves of Chatham, IL, Katie (John) Ohnemus of Mendon, IL, and Matt Graves of Monroe City, MO; grandchildren, Kaleb Dieterle, Zoey Dieterle, Tatum Graves, Cru Graves, Grayden Graves, Olivia Ohnemus, Paisley Ohnemus, and Noah Ohnemus; sister, Teresa (Dave) Higus of Terre Haute, IN; uncle, Greg (Mae) Graves of Ursa, IL; several nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews; and grandpuppies, Duke and Grace.

Roger was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Veda Graves; in-laws, Robert Schwartz, Dolores Schwartz, and Hazel Schwartz; paternal grandparents, Barney and Lenora Graves; maternal grandparents, Everett and Leona Willard; aunt, Rosemary Graves; Uncle, Wayland and wife, Catherine Willard; and cousin, Michael Todd Willard.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, February 21, 2021 at 4:00 PM at Madison Park Christian Church in Quincy. Visitation will be held prior to the service at the church from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Graveside service will be Monday, February 22, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Saint Brigid's Cemetery in Liberty, IL. If you plan to attend visitation or funeral service, please wear a mask and practice all COVID

Service Summary

Visitation

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Sun Feb 21, 2021

Madison Park Christian Church

Quincy, IL

Funeral Service

4:00 PM Sun Feb 21, 2021

Madison Park Christian Church

Quincy, IL

Graveside Service

11:00 AM Mon Feb 22, 2021

St. Brigid's Cemetery

Liberty, IL

19 physical distancing guidelines. Memorials are suggested to be made to Lewy Body Dementia Association, Memory Care Home Solutions or Blessing Hospice and Palliative Care. Online condolences may be left to the family at www.nieburfh.com. Niebur Funeral Chapel is handling the arrangements.

Charitable donations may be made in Roger's memory to the following organizations:

Blessing Hospice & Palliative Care

Lewy Body Dementia Association

Memory Care Home Solutions

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