

Obituary

Born: Thursday, December 9, 1937

Died: Sunday, April 11, 2021

Roger N. Frazier, age 83, of Pittsfield, IL passed away on Sunday, April 11, 2021 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL. He was born on December 9, 1937 in Quincy, IL to Richard and Anna Kientzle Frazier. Roger married Ina L. Strother at Immaculate Conception Church in Pittsfield on February 24, 1957 and she survives.

Roger graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1956 and entered the United States Army Reserves where he spent the next seven summers at Reserve Training. During those years, Roger worked at Kientzle Shoe Store and Pike County Glass for Floyd Harrig. In 1965 he began his career with Illinois Department of Conservation as a Conservation Police Officer. Roger was also a lobbyist for the F.O.P. and went on to become the Deputy Director of Natural Resources under Director Joel Brusvold. Roger's true passion was farming, which in the early 70's he moved his family south of Pittsfield, to what became their family farm. In retirement, Roger volunteered at Curless Auction for his son-in-law, Brian. He was a hunting enthusiast, and enjoyed raising and training dogs and holding field trials. Roger also banded and tracked hummingbirds. He was also a licensed pilot and at one time owned his own plane. Roger was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus #2967, Quail Unlimited, Ducks Unlimited, OCCC, Moose Lodge #420, and past member of the Jaycees. Roger was a loyal, reliable, lovable, thoughtful and kind man but an avid trickster who could take a prank as well as give a prank. Roger's most prized possession was his family. He and Ina raised six daughters and he always said, "if he had sons, he would have chosen his sons-in-law." He especially enjoyed his grandchildren, whether it be a sporting event or time spent at the pond; these were the moments he loved the most.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Ina Frazier; daughters, Gina (Mike) Welbourne of Pittsfield, IL, Jonie (Mark) Gerard of Pittsfield, IL, Jane Frazier of Springfield, IL, Jill (Steve) Clement of Springfield, IL, Sandy (Brian) Curless of Pittsfield, IL and Jennifer (Bill) Hull of Colorado Springs, CO; grandchildren, Brice Lanier, Emily (Kyle) Van Cleave, Samuel (Emily E. Bystery) Welbourne, Nathan Gerard, Isaac (Ashley) Gerard, Elizabeth (Will) Wood, Alex Barrow, Jill Marie Barrow, Jack Clement, Madelyn Clement, Frazier (Ali) Curless, Isabella Curless, Anna Curless, Kenna (Daniel Senior) Fitzgerald-Hull, Chloe Hull and Ginger Hull; great grandchildren, Emma Rose Lanier, Bentley Lanier, Roan Van Cleave, Gwynneth Van Cleave, Annabeth Van Cleave, Dallas Van Cleave, Noah Gerard, Kaylin Gerard, Mila Gerard, Eva Gerard, Lennon Barrow-Wood, Aiyana Stout, Jase Stout and Emmie 'Curly' Curless; brothers, Dick



Service Summary

Prayer Service

4:00 PM to 4:30 PM, Thu Apr 15, 2021

Niebur Funeral Home

530 W. Adams
Pittsfield, Illinois 62363

Visitation

4:30 PM to 7:00 PM, Thu Apr 15, 2021

Pittsfield Location

530 W. Adams & Franklin St.
Pittsfield, Illinois 62363

Funeral Mass

10:00 AM Fri Apr 16, 2021

St. Mary's Catholic Church

226 East Adams Street
Pittsfield, Illinois 62363

Frazier and Bob (Teresa) Frazier; sisters, Sue Yonikus and Joyce (Jay) Leahy; brother-in-law, Bob Pressey, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Darla (Dick) Motley, Linda (Lee) Bernier and sister-in-law, Darlene Strother.

Roger was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Anna Frazier; sister, Kathy Pressey, brother-in-law, Dan Yonikus, sister-in-law, Nancy Frazier, sister-in-law, Suellen Strother, brother-in-law, Max Strother and special family friends, Madelyn and Dallas Strubinger.

There will be a Mass of Resurrection held on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 10:00 AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pittsfield with interment following at Calvary Cemetery in Pittsfield, IL. Prayer service will be held on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 4:00 PM at Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield with visitation from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Please respect all social distancing guidelines. Memorials are suggested to be made to Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter. Online condolences may be left to the family at www.nieburfh.com. Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield is handling the arrangements.

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

Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter
<http://www.alz.org>