



## Bill J. Ford

November 4, 1935 - November 13, 2017

Bill J. Ford, 82, of Anna, died at 11:39AM, Monday, November 13, 2017.

Bill was born in Vienna on November 4, 1935 the son of Loran and Freda Lee (Hester) Ford.

He married Anna Ruth Rink on June 7, 1958 at St. Patrick's Church in Cairo. They shared over 53 years of happiness together. She preceded him in death on January 17, 2012.

Over the years, Bill worked for Prudential Life Insurance Company, the State Highway Department out of Cairo and also ran a daycare with his wife, Ruth. He also ran Teen Town for many years. Bill was involved in his community, being a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, and Kiwanis. He was also a Union County School Board Member and an Anna City Park Board Member. Bill loved doing yardwork and fishing but most of all he enjoyed attending various school and sporting events in which his grandchildren and great-grandchildren were involved.

He is survived by his two sons, Mike (Rhonda) Ford of Buncombe and Jeff (Diane) Ford of Charleston, MO; one daughter, Amy (Rich) King of Buncombe; grandchildren, Joey (Adria) Ford of Cobden, Ryan (Jen) Ford of Charleston, MO, Jodi South (Evan) of Carbondale, Haley Ford (Bryant) of Charleston, MO, Justin Ford of Buncombe, Cody King (Laurelin) of Anna, Zach (Whitney) Ford

of Anna, and Jacqueline Ford (Vicente) of Anna, Katy Jo (Noah) Prater of Anna; great grandchildren, Raleigh and Rider Ford, Jamie, Kaylee, and Colton Ford, Mia Guzman, Kenslie Ford; brothers Robbie (Marietta) Ford of Vienna, Ralph (Ella) Ford of Vienna.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; wife; son, Mark Ford; brothers, Donald and Loren Ford; sisters Sue, Wilma, and Gertrude.

Visitation for Bill Ford will be held from 5:00-8:00PM, Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro with rosary at 7:30PM.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00AM, Thursday, November 16, 2017 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anna with Father Federico Higuera officiating. Interment will follow at Calvary Cemetery in Villa Ridge, Illinois.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church and will be accepted at the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **15**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna  
135 W. Vienna St.  
Anna, IL 62906  
(618) 833-2176  
[crain@crainsonline.com](mailto:crain@crainsonline.com)

## church service

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Anna, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill J. Ford*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Prayers and condolences to the family. Bill and Ruth were some of the sweetest people we knew.*

**Cecilia, Doug, and Will Arnold** - November 15, 2017 at 07:17 AM



*Prayers to the Ford family. Douglas P. Arnold*

**Cecilia, Doug, and Will Arnold** - November 15, 2017 at 07:19 AM



“ *Dear Amy, Family & Friends of Bill Ford,  
May every consolation and blessing be granted to each of you in your deep sorrow. My condolences and sincere sympathy, David 'Herb' Estes*

**David 'Herb' Estes** - November 14, 2017 at 09:52 AM



“ *Cheryl Rion lit a candle in memory of Bill J. Ford*



**Cheryl Rion** - November 14, 2017 at 04:24 AM



“ *Billie was a great man accept me for me ,never judge me always had the biggest smile, had a beautiful family. And will be truely missed. R.i.p sir*  
*Sincerely yours Jeremy Randall*

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**Kisor Sosa** - November 14, 2017 at 02:08 AM

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“ *So sorry Jeff and Dianne for your loss and to the rest of the family my condolences are with each and everyone of you all may God Bless you and be with you. Donna Hudson and family*

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**Donna Hudson** - November 13, 2017 at 09:33 PM

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“ *A great man indeed! Have always enjoyed conversations with him! He will be missed, but take comfort in knowing that he is no longer in pain but is so enjoying his new home!*



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**Russell L Pender** - November 13, 2017 at 09:05 PM