



Charles James Swayze

December 7, 1948 - November 9, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Charles James Swayze

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

Charles James Swayze, 75 of Murphysboro passed away, Saturday, November 9, 2024 at home surrounded by his family.

He was born on December 7, 1948 to Charles and Ellen (Bennett) Swayze in Vincennes, Indiana.

Charles was a proud union member of Local 702 IBEW. He worked as a lineman for Ameren/CIPS for 25 years before retiring.

He loved all things outdoors. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and even yard work! However, his greatest joy was being a father and grandpa. He always put his family first and supported them in any way he could. His humbleness, kindness, and generosity was unmatched.

Charles was married to the love of his life Renna (Spires) Swayze in 1967. Together they have four children: Dana (Mike) Garsky of Murphysboro, Jeanna (Rodney) Wheeler of Troy, Erik (Stephanie) Malone of Herrin, and Jeffery Swayze of Murphysboro.

He was a loving grandfather to TJ, Alex, Zach, Jessalyn, Sam, Morgan, Jaxon, Jayden, and Mariah. He was a great grandfather to Khloe, Colton, Jacob, Lawson, Cindy, and Carson.

Charles was preceded in death by his father, Charles F Swayze, mother, Ellen Bennett Sager, and brother, Bill Lee Swayze.

A Celebration of Life luncheon hosted by the family will be held at The American Legion Hall, 1700 Gartside St., Murphysboro, IL 62966 at 11:00AM on Friday, November 15, 2024. Carhartts, flannel, and jeans are welcome!

Memorials in Charles's name can be made to the Murphysboro Food Pantry, 906 N. 14th St., Murphysboro, IL 62966. Charles always went out of his way to make sure no one ever went hungry.

The cremation of Charles James Swayze has been personally handled by the staff of Crain Funeral Home.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Family Hosted Celebration of Life

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

American Legion Post 127
1700 Gartside Street
Murphysboro
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Tribute Wall

JS

“ One of the best neighbors I ever had. So sorry to hear this. I'll keep all of you in my prayers.

Joyce Schemonia - November 12, 2024 at 07:59 PM

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“ He was the greatest brother in law ever. So sorry for the loss of Charles(Jim)

Gloria Swayze - November 11, 2024 at 06:22 PM

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“ Randy, Trudi, Mark, Becky, Lila & Gemma purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Charles James Swayze.



Randy, Trudi, Mark, Becky, Lila & Gemma - November 11, 2024 at 06:14 PM

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“ Randy, Trudi, Mark, Becky, Lila & Gemma planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles James Swayze.

Randy, Trudi, Mark, Becky, Lila & Gemma - November 11, 2024 at 06:14 PM