



Charlie Franklin

May 31, 1943 - December 11, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Charlie Franklin

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

Loran Charles Franklin, age 82, of Murphysboro, passed away on Thursday, December 11, 2025 at Memorial hospital in Carbondale.

He was born on May 31, 1943 to Herbert Ardell and Villa Emjane (Hickam) Franklin in Carbondale, Illinois.

Charlie was a veteran of the United States Army. He had worked at Caterpillar for over 30 years. Charlie lived for over 60 years in North Pekin, Illinois and returned to Murphysboro in 2023. He was a member of Dutch Ridge Baptist Church and the American Legion Post 127. Charlie was an avid deer hunter.

Survivors include his siblings, Jack (Shirley) Franklin, Larry Franklin, Clifton (Beverly) Franklin, Sharon (Ralph) Brunkhorst; special cousin, Bruce (Kim)

Hickam; nieces and nephews, Chris Franklin, Staci Rowe, Drew Franklin, Sarah Franklin, Joshua Franklin, Michael Franklin, John Mann, Katie Herman, Kelley Wininger, Shawn Skidmore, Daniel Brunkhorst, Aaron Brunkhorst, and Jason Franklin; along with many great-nieces and great nephews and other relatives.

Along with his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife, Margaret; and brother, Grover Franklin.

No Services will be held at this time. A private inurnment will be held at a later date at Murdale Gardens of Memory.

The cremation of Charlie Franklin will be personally handled by the staff of Crain Funeral home.

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

Cemetery Details

Murdale Gardens of Memory

137 Murdale Gardens Rd
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
crain@crainsonline.com

Tribute Wall

JV

“ I am so very sorry to hear of this. He was truly a kind man. My condolences and prayers for comfort and peace.

Janet Verbal - December 17, 2025 at 10:27 AM

B7

“ Bill and ShortyWatauga Texas 76148 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Charlie Franklin.



Bill and ShortyWatauga Texas 76148 - December 17, 2025 at 09:37 AM