



Larry Lovell

October 25, 1947 - March 4, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Larry Calvin Lovell

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – ANNA

135 West Vienna Street, Anna, Illinois

Larry Calvin Lovell, age 75 of Anna, IL passed away at his home on Saturday morning, March 4, 2023.

He was born on October 25, 1947, to Jasper Calvin Lovell and Georgia Charlotte (Lamb) Lovell in Cape Girardeau, MO. On September 5, 1970 he married Diane Kluesner of Chaffee, MO. Larry worked for 40 years at Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative in Dongola, IL, serving the last 23 years as Executive Vice Pres/General Manager.

In 1975, Larry received his Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Mathematics and minor in Business Administration from Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO.

He served on several Board of Directors, including Southern Illinois Power Cooperative, Marion, IL, United Utility Supply Cooperative, Louisville, KY, ACES Power Marketing, Indianapolis, IN, and Union County Hospital, Anna, IL. His miscellaneous endeavors included NRECA/CFC Joint Member Task Force on Rural Water and Wastewater Infrastructure, Washington, DC from

February 1994 through February 1995. In 2001, the Illinois Cooperative Council presented Larry with the Cooperative Management Award.

Larry was particularly proud of being Instrumental in the formation of SouthWater, Inc., a Regional Not –For—Profit Water System, Dongola, IL. Another project that Larry was honored to be a part of was his role as Chairman of Union County District that he and others successfully negotiated a lease with Community Health System (CHS) from Franklin, TN. The lease allowed Union County Hospital District to retain ownership of the hospital, pocket over \$3 million dollars and a provision for CHS to upgrade hospital infrastructure . The citizens of Anna were able to keep a quality hospital when other small community hospitals were struggling. The best part is that the Hospital District was able to stop taxing Anna residents, saving taxpayers money each year.

Larry was an active member of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Anna, IL. He was a member of the Parish Council, Trustee and longtime Chairman of the Finance Committee. Larry was honored that God allowed him to be an active volunteer for the Church.

Larry loved the many get-togethers with his family especially the Sunday dinners with his children, grandchildren and great grandson. The many family trips and the trips with friends were also very special and memorial to him. He always had the best of times. All of his grandchildren and great grandson were the highlight of his life and he enjoyed every minute with them.

Larry also enjoyed fishing with his family and playing golf with friends. He will be truly missed by his family and so many other people. The light is dimmer here today and brighter where he has gone; but, his memories and his wisdom will be with us forever.

Survivors include his wife of 52 Years, Diane Lovell, daughter Alysia (Jay) Kaufman, son Jason Lovell, grand children Cameron Lovell, Lydia (Trent) Grider, Alexandria Lovell, Caleb Kaufman, and Nathan Kaufman; great grandchild Carter Andrew Grider; brother Dennis (Valerie) Lovell of Greenville, TX; sister Janis (Ronnie) Burford of Benton, MO; brother-in-law AJ (Betty)

Kluesner of Cape Girardeau, MO; sister in-laws Flora Brucker of New Hamburg, MO, Clairene Priest of Cape Girardeau, MO and Helen Kluesner of Scott City, MO, and several cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Visitation will be from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Crain Funeral Home in Anna, IL on Friday, March 10, 2023 and from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Anna, IL on Saturday, March 11, 2023.

Father Uriel will lead the rosary at 7:00 PM on Friday at Crain Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Larry Lovell will be held at St. Mary Church at 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 11, 2023 with Father Uriel Salamanca officiating.

Entombment will be at Lindsey Cemetery just east of McClure, IL at 2:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorials be made to the American Heart Association, St. Mary Church, or Lindsey Cemetery.

Envelopes will be available at Crain Funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Lindsey Cemetery

McClure, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

MAR 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Anna, IL

Entombment

MAR 11. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Lindsey Cemetery
McClure, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Larry Lovell*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Larry Lovell.*



March 07, 2023 at 06:05 PM



“ *May flights of Angel's sing thee to thy rest. I will miss seeing Larry at SIU basketball games. Sharon Camp Robert's, '66 Shawnee H.S. Alumni*

Sharon Roberts - March 07, 2023 at 02:10 PM



“ *I will remember Larry as having that heartwarming quality of making the person he was speaking to feel special. He will be missed in the Kluesner family. His spirit lives on...*

Mike & Gail Buzzotta - March 07, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ *Deepest sympathy to all the family.*

Janie Peterson - March 06, 2023 at 04:07 PM

LW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Larry & Trula Wells*

Larry Wells - March 06, 2023 at 12:34 PM

DL

“ *Will always appreciate the impact Larry made on those who knew him. He served his friends and community well in his tenure as Manager at REA in Dongola.*

My deepest sympathy to the family.

Wr will miss you, Larry.

Doris Livesay - March 05, 2023 at 03:32 PM