



## Leonard Leon Cooley

June 6, 1926 - September 12, 2019

Leonard Leon Cooley, 93, of Anna, passed away at 12:24 pm Thursday, September 12, 2019 at the Illinois Veteran's Home in Anna.

He was born June 6, 1926 in Johnson County, IL, the son of Leonard and Marie (Hines) Cooley. He married Mary Nadine Parr on August 20, 1948. She preceded him in death on August 14, 1982.

For over 50 years Leonard was known as one of the most prominent painters in and around the Union County area. He was a painting contractor and started Cooley Painting in 1955. His son, Terry started in the business in 1968 and continued until 2014. He was a member and business representative for the Painters Local 141. He also proudly served his country in the United States Army as a Staff Sergeant and was a WWII Veteran. Leonard had a huge heart for his family, especially his grandson and great-grandsons and friends. He loved helping and giving to others, never expecting anything in return. Besides painting, he also loved fishing, woodworking, and had a passion for fixing up old cars to re-sell. Leonard was a member of the First Baptist Church and of the Carroll P. Foster VFW Post 3455.

Leonard is survived by his son, Terry (Brenda Sue) Cooley of Anna; granddaughter-in-law, Wendy Cooley of Mt. Juliet, TN; great-grandsons, Kyle Cooley and Tyler Cooley both of Mt. Juliet, TN; sisters, Marceline (Rev. Bill)

Bohannon of Wood River, Venita Brafford of Herrin, Janelle (Lynn) Eudy of Jonesboro; brother, Earl Cooley of Dongola; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Besides his wife he was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Kevin Cooley; brothers, Vurl Deleen Cooley, Lowell Cooley, Larry Cooley and Richard Cooley; sister, Loretta Evins.

The visitation will be held from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro. Funeral services will be at 2:30 PM at the funeral home with Pastor Steve Guined officiating. Interment will follow in Anna City Cemetery with Military Honors accorded by the Carroll P. Foster Post 3455 and the Illinois National Guard.

Memorials may be made to the Connect Point Food Pantry and envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Anna Cemetery

E Davie St  
Anna, IL 62906  
(618) 833-4083

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 14. 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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

## Service

SEP 14. 2:30 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna  
135 W. Vienna St.  
Anna, IL 62906  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Leon Cooley

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October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ I send love and sympathy to the Cooley family. I'm sorry for the loss of your brother, Leon. Growing up in the same Southern Illinois country neighborhood as your family near Dongola, I have fond memories of those days. Those of us who walked to the country school were so excited when your Dad picked us up some days. Your Mother was one of the best seamstresses I have known. Nice Family. ❤️🌹

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**Betty Jo Bird Bishop** - September 14, 2019 at 01:46 AM