



Walter "Fred" Houston

June 12, 1945 - January 7, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Walter "Fred" Houston

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Walter "Fred" Houston, age 77, of Grand Tower, passed away on Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 2:08 a.m. in Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau.

Fred was born on June 12, 1945 in Howerton, Illinois, a son of John and Mary (Cripps) Houston. He married Delores Ann Walker on February 10, 1968 in Grand Tower and she survives. Fred proudly served his country in the United States Army as a radio operator during the Vietnam War. After serving in the Army, he worked as an operator for Ameren CIPS for 30 years until his retirement. Fred was a life member of the Carroll P. Foster VFW Post 3455 in Anna and also a life member of the Murphysboro Historical Society. He was a member of the Grand Tower Lion's Club for over twenty years and for twenty-two years he served as secretary for the Grand Tower Park District. Fred loved people. He never met a stranger. He was of the Pentecostal faith and loved fishing and camping with his wife. For fifteen years they were snowbirds who camped in Texas during the winter months.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly fifty-five years, Delores Houston of Grand Tower; his daughter, Tammy (Greg) Thompson of Murphysboro; two grandchildren, Leigh Thompson and Logan Thompson, both of Murphysboro; one brother, Henry (Marie) Houston of Grand Tower; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; several brothers; and one sister.

Graveside funeral services will be held at Walker Hill Cemetery in Grand Tower on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. with Bob Henson officiating. Military rites will be accorded by the Carroll P. Foster V.F.W. Post 3455 and the United States Army. Those attending the service are asked to gather directly at the cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project. Envelopes will be available and accepted at the graveside or in care of Crain Funeral Home, 1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966.

Crain Funeral Home in Murphysboro has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Walker Hill Cemetery

Grand Tower, IL

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

Walker Hill Cemetery
Grand Tower, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Walter "Fred" Houston*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *It's with great sorry that we lost a true friend in Fred. We had so much fun playing Pegs & Jokers with them in Texas. Miss them terribly since we no longer make the trip south. Delores, you will always have our love and friendship. Sympathy to your family. Hugs!*

Lorna - January 10, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Fred and Family*



Tammy Thompson - January 10, 2023 at 08:18 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Walter "Fred" Houston.*



January 09, 2023 at 02:49 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Walter "Fred" Houston.*



January 07, 2023 at 05:23 PM