



William "Bill" Joseph Alexander

October 13, 1940 - August 31, 2015

William "Bill" Joseph Alexander, 74, passed away at 7:10 p.m. Monday, August 31, 2015, at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

William was born on October 13, 1940, in Marion, Illinois, and his parents were John Miller and Rozena (Zoller) Miller.

He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam Conflict obtaining the rank of Chief Petty Officer. During military service, he worked on the hydraulics of airplanes. After retiring, he was an automobile mechanic, specializing in working on Volkswagen automobiles. He enjoyed working on cars and he enjoyed drag racing.

Bill married Dianna Macey on December 17, 1966, in St. Charles, Illinois, and she survives. When they were first married, they enjoyed going camping.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three children Amy C. Johnson and her husband Carl Johnson and Brian Alexander and his wife Heather Alexander, all of Murphysboro, and Shawn Alexander of Texas;

four grandchildren Taylor Johnson, Karley Johnson, John William Alexander and Macey Jo Alexander, all of Murphysboro;

two sisters Jean (Ted) Johnson of Mission, TX, Nancy (Ron) Hill of Pekin, IL;

two brothers Jack (Lu) Alexander of Tulare, CA and Robert (Beverly) Binkley of Marion, IL;

one sister in law Doris Otis of Cincinnati, OH; several nieces and nephews;

his mother and father in law Andrew and Madeline Macey of St. Charles, IL;

one sister in law Andrea (John) Johnston of St. Charles, IL; and two brother in laws Andrew (Diane) Macey of St. Charles, IL and Ralph (Charlaine) Macey of Warrenton, MO.

He was preceded in death by two brothers John Alexander and James Alexander, one niece Kristin Alexander, one nephew Jimmy Bill Boles, and his parents.

His body will be cremated and a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, September 3, 2015, at Pettett Funeral Home with John Reeder officiating and military services will be conducted by the American Legion Paul Stout Post # 127. Friends may call from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the St. Baldrick Foundation (a children's cancer society) and envelopes will be available at the funeral home. For more information, please visit www.pettettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Crain Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William "Bill" Joseph Alexander



Crain Funeral Home - August 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ William "Bill" Joseph Alexander

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Dianna, Please except my deepest sympathy for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you,Amy, and Brian and their families. Jean Alexander

Jean Alexander - September 02, 2015 at 09:08 AM