



Frederick William "Bill" Koehnke Jr.

January 22, 1940 - April 19, 2020

Bill Koehnke, 80, of Kirkland, passed away early Sunday morning, April 19, 2020, at St. Joseph Hospital in Elgin.

He was born January 22, 1940, in Elgin the son of Frederick and Mabel (Niemeyer) Koehnke. He served in the US Army in Germany from 1963 to 1965. Bill married Donna L. Maynard on March 30, 1963 at St. Peter Lutheran Church in North Plato. Bill hauled milk in his early years and worked for 23 years at Country Delight in Hampshire. Later he was at Sycamore Systems and then in retirement he enjoyed mowing grass at Franklin Twp. Park in Kirkland. He enjoyed trips with Donna both nationally and internationally. He was a lifetime member of the Northern Illinois Steam Power Club and a member of First Lutheran Church in Kirkland.

Surviving are his wife, Donna; three children, Sandra (Roger) Gustafson, Jeffery T. Koehnke, Brian (Barbara) Koehnke; 4 grandchildren, Betsy, Brooke, Emma, and Sophie; two step-grandchildren, Daniel (Melyssa) Gustafson, and Taylor (Paul) Maciaszek; 4 step great grandchildren, Ryder, Rayce, Roczyn, and Nolan; his sister, Shirley Herrmann of Burlington.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and a brother-in-law, Charles Herrmann.

Burial with Military Honors will be on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at 2:30 PM at Hampshire Center Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions in Bill's name should be directed to the First Lutheran Church, the Northern Illinois Steam Power Club, or the Burlington Fire Dept., and the Kirkland Fire Dept.

Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Koehnke Family*

We were all sad to hear of Bill's passing . We all loved Bill & can't think of a nicer , more pleasant person to talk to . Our thoughts are with you , with hope for peace & healing .

Dave & Marta Guzzardo

Dave & Marta Guzzardo - April 27, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frederick William "Bill" Koehnke Jr..*



April 24, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Frederick William "Bill" Koehnke Jr..*



April 24, 2020 at 10:30 AM

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“ I know Bill since I was a freshman in high school and he came into the Village Inn Restaurant in Hampshire! It was an honor to know him and call him a friend! My deepest sympathy for the whole family, Louie Mielke

Louis Mielke - April 24, 2020 at 03:23 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frederick William "Bill" Koehnke Jr..



April 23, 2020 at 07:36 PM