



## Harold W. Polnow

August 20, 1932 - March 28, 2026

Harold Polnow

Born Harold "Hal" William to William and Florence Polnow on August 20, 1932 in Belvidere, IL.

Graduated from Marengo Community High School, Marengo, IL. in 1950, joined the Army Air Corps and served in Korea as a heavy equipment operator, met and married Jean Bear at Augustana Lutheran Church in Phoenix, AZ on May 12, 1961.

Moved to Elgin, IL where he worked for Ray Young Foods. Moved to Marengo, IL. in 1963 where he worked at Ray Young Foods in Elgin and Rossi Pizza in Wood Dale, letter carrier in Marengo, Morgan Building Maintenance in Belvidere and Chicago Tribune independent operator in Marengo for over 15 years when retired. In addition, he earned three life saving awards during his life.

He enjoyed traveling, fishing trips, hunting, going to children's ball games, swimming, and playing Pinochle with family.

Survivors include son, Mark of Huntley, IL; daughter, Kristine of Mesa, AZ; son, William of Rolling Meadows; sister, Elaine Fiepke of Marengo, IL.; brother-in-law, Gary Bear of Scottsdale, AZ; sister-in-law, Marilyn Pylant of

Tempe, AZ; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceded by his sister, Helen; his parents; and brothers-in-law, Irvin Fiepke, and Buddy Pylant.

Visitation will be held on Monday, April 13th at Zion Lutheran Church, 412 Jackson St., Marengo IL, From 9:00 am until the Service at 11:00 am. Burial will follow in the Mchenry County Memorial Park.

Memorials in Harold's name may be directed to Zion Lutheran Church, or the American Heart Association.

# Cemetery Details

## McHenry County Memorial Park

11301 Lake Ave  
Woodstock, IL 60098

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church  
412 Jackson Street  
Marengo, IL 60152

## Service

APR 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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412 Jackson Street  
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## Graveside Service

APR 13. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

McHenry County Memorial Park  
11301 Lake Ave  
Woodstock, IL 60098



# Tribute Wall



“ *Fredrick Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Harold W. Polnow*



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**Fredrick Funeral Home** - April 26 at 10:40 AM

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“ *I was so sorry to hear of Jean and Hal's passing. I worked with Jean at PM&E, and during that time I helped Hal by gathering signatures on his behalf. It was a simple thing, but it clearly meant a great deal to them. Years later, they began sending me chocolate-covered cherries every year as a thank you at Christmas—an incredibly thoughtful gesture I never forgot. Their kindness and appreciation left a lasting impression on me, and I will always remember them with a smile. May they rest in peace together. With love and gratitude for crossing paths with them, Paula Marks*

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**Paula Marks** - April 16 at 02:58 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Harold Polnow Memories Album*



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**Fredrick Funeral Home** - April 02 at 10:38 AM