



## Clarence Joseph Morrissey Jr

March 13, 1935 - February 26, 2021

Clarence "Bud" Morrissey Jr. of Amboy died on Friday Feb. 26, 2021 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on March 13, 1935 in Dixon IL the son of Clarence and Margaret (Friel) Morrissey. Clarence was a farmer in the Walton IL area and was also a Journeyman Machinist at the Henry Pratt Co. in Dixon IL for over 34 years. He was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Walton, the Amboy Lions Club, AA for 34 years, Shady Oaks Country Club, and the class of 1952 from Community High School / Newman Central Catholic High School. On April 30, 1955 Clarence married Joyce Gorzney in Morrison, IL.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother Tom Morrissey, and sister Regina Morrissey.

Clarence is survived by his wife Joyce, children; Edward Morrissey of Amboy, Robert Joseph Morrissey of Amboy, Clarence Edward (Keri) Morrissey of Warrensburg MO, John (Jan) Morrissey of Dixon, Ann (Richard) Rutherford of Harmon, Elizabeth Bontz of Amboy, Patricia (Gary) Coppotelli of Ashland, MO, Margaret (Sharon) DeBerry of Rockford, and Catherine (Jim) Decker of Amboy. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

There will be a private family graveside service on Tuesday March 2, 2021 at St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established and donations can be made to the St Vincent DePaul Society at St Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. Arrangements by Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

# Cemetery

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## **St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy**

816 Rockyford Rd

Amboy, IL, 61310

# Comments

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“ All the bells in Ireland are ringing for Bud Morrissey. You will be missed.  
-Classmate and friend, Sharon Wiltz

**sharon wiltz** - March 04 at 06:30 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Bud for a number of years at Henry Pratt. I was an engineer who did a lot of the machine programming and work with Bud on a number of machines. We had the chance to go on a couple of overnight trips to learn about the machines and I really enjoyed taking him out for nice steak dinners. Great person to work with - my condolences to all his friends and family.

Dave Johnson

**Dave Johnson** - March 04 at 08:58 AM

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“ I worked at Henry Pratt with Clarence. He was a good guy to work with and always had a smile on his face. I'm sure Clarence's family will miss that smile. You have my sincerest condolence. Greg Cavanaugh

**Greg Cavanaugh** - March 02 at 11:02 AM

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“ So sorry to read about Bud's passing in today's paper. He was the most upbeat and happy person. He always had a smile. My husband and I recalled being with him and Joyce at an awards banquet for Henry Pratt and the conversation turned to how each couple had met at our table. It turns out that every couple had been introduced on a blind date. I don't remember the exact story but remember that Bud and Joyce married quickly after meeting before Bud went to serve his country. It was a lovely story and a testimony to true love. I know he will be sadly missed by everyone whose life he touched. It was an honor to know him.

Mary Sanders

**Mary Sanders** - March 02 at 09:52 AM

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“ Buddy and I were Classmates in high school @ Community H.S. in Sterling. We have been good friends ever since then. I will never forget his great sense of humor and smile. We both enjoyed the game of golf. I was able to spend some time with him in Dixon in February for a few moments before he passed away. Like always, he smiled and was upbeat. May God bless my friend. Bill Stotzer

**BILL STOTZER** - March 01 at 03:37 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear of Bud's passing. I worked with him at Henry Pratt in late sixties. He was always fun to be around.

Mike Thomas

**michael a thomas** - March 05 at 01:25 PM